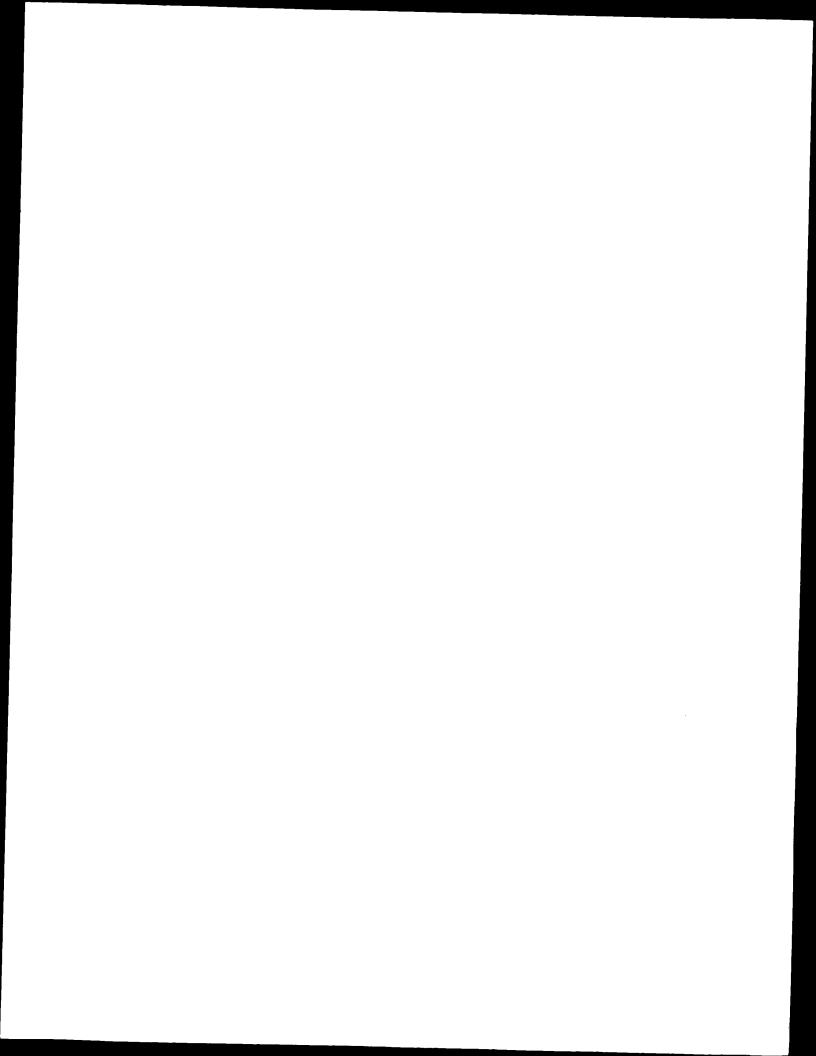
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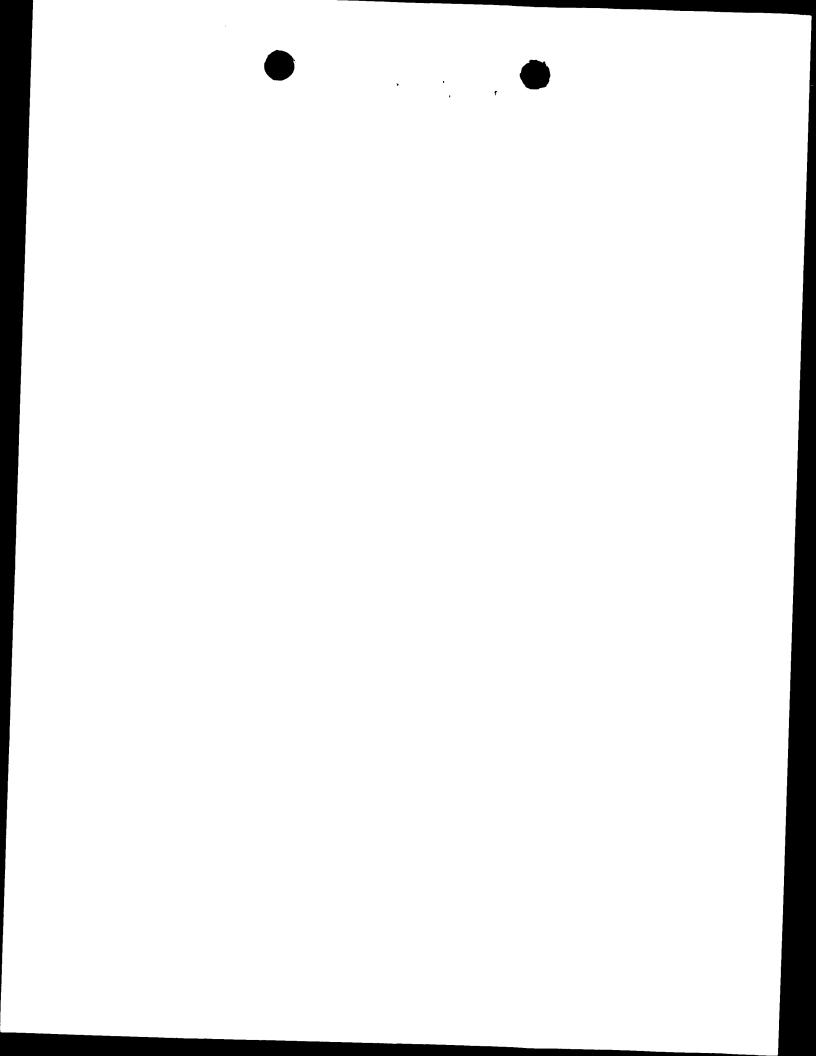




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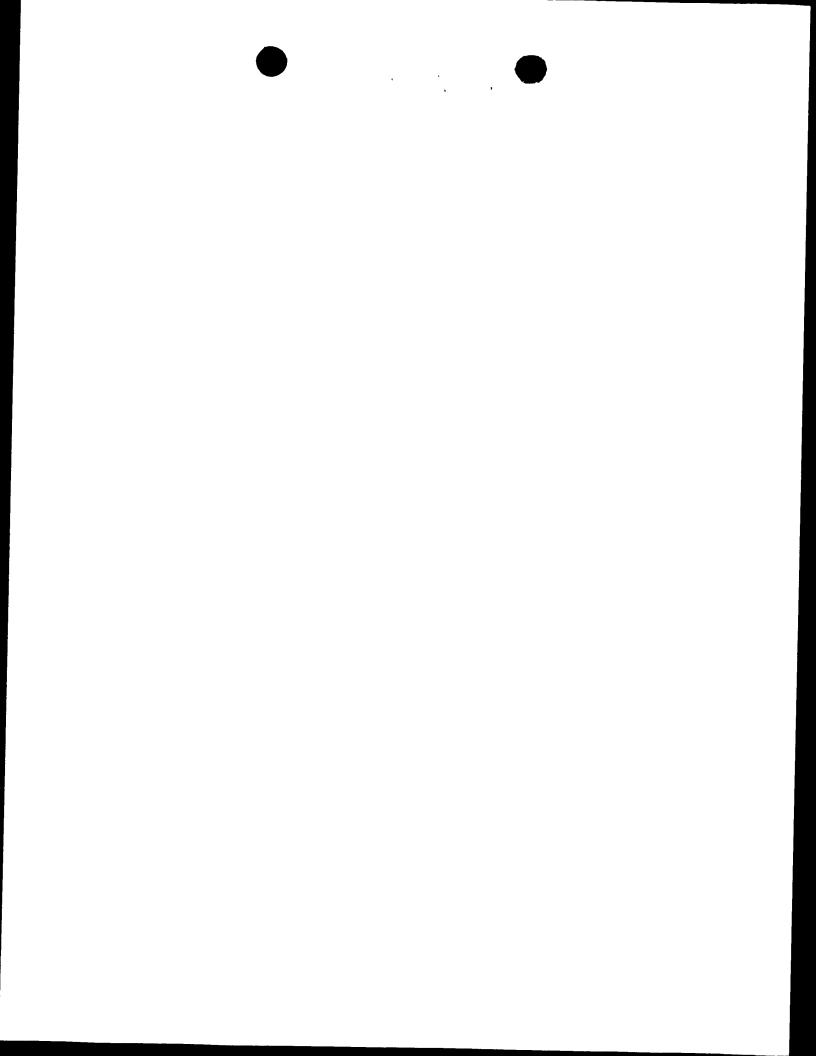


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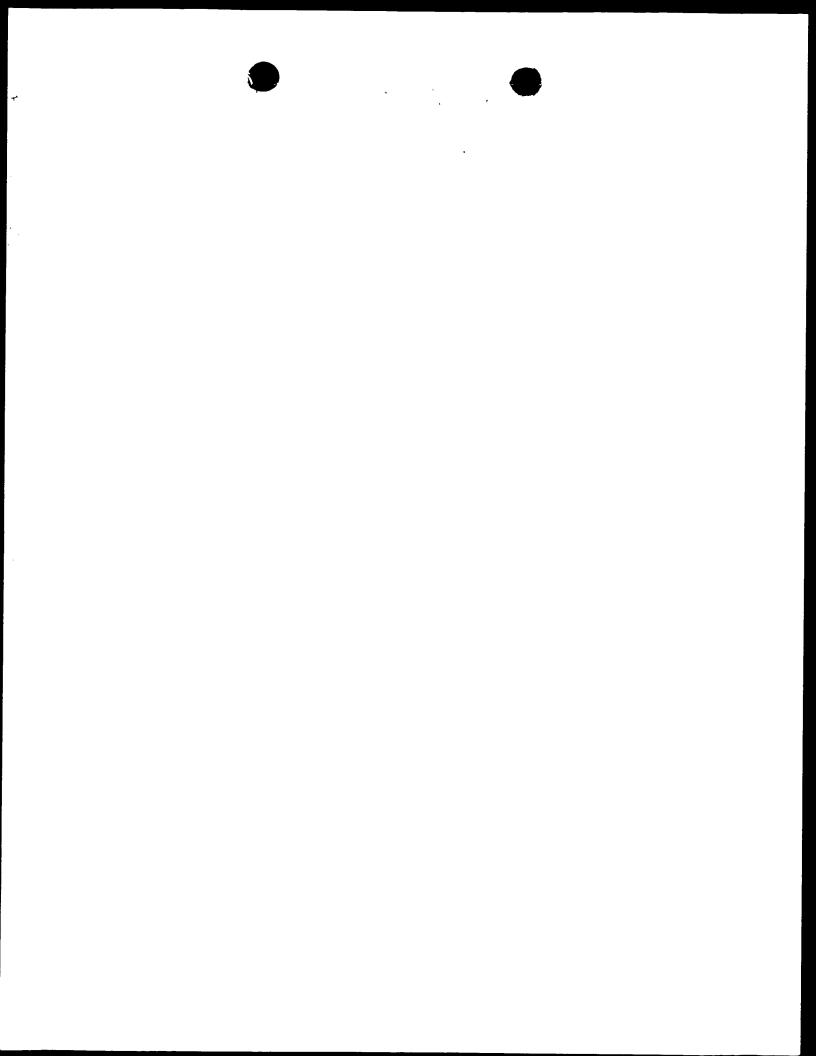


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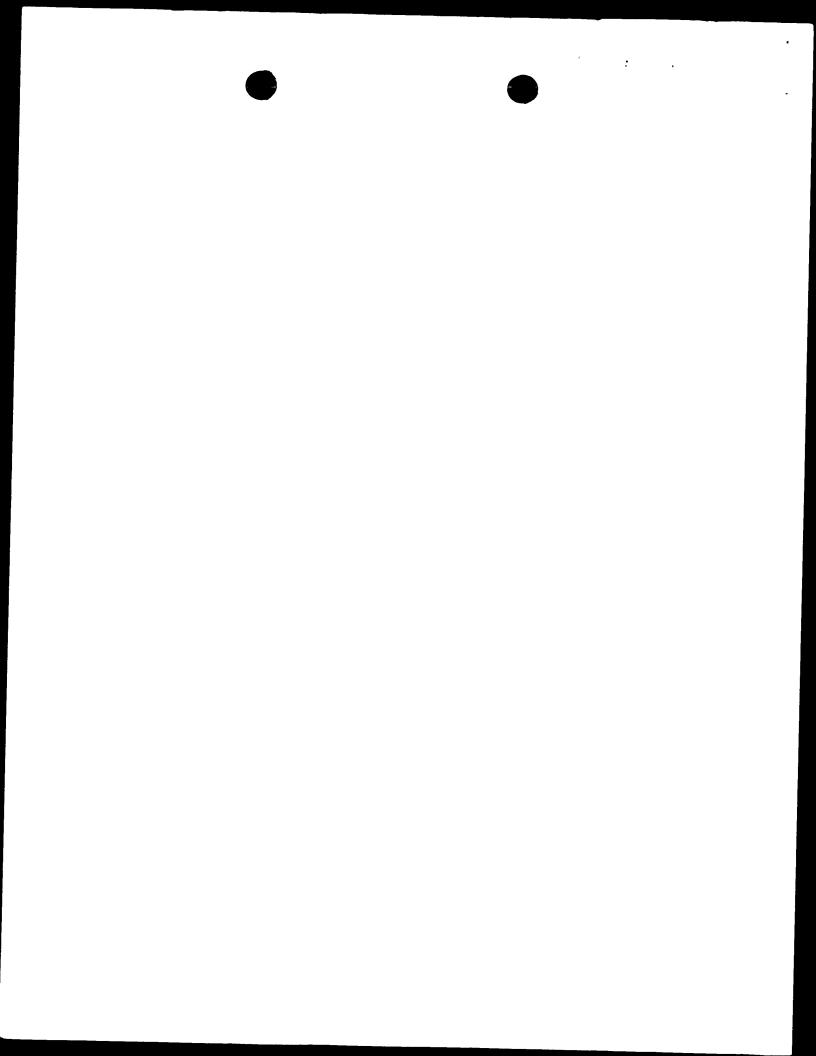


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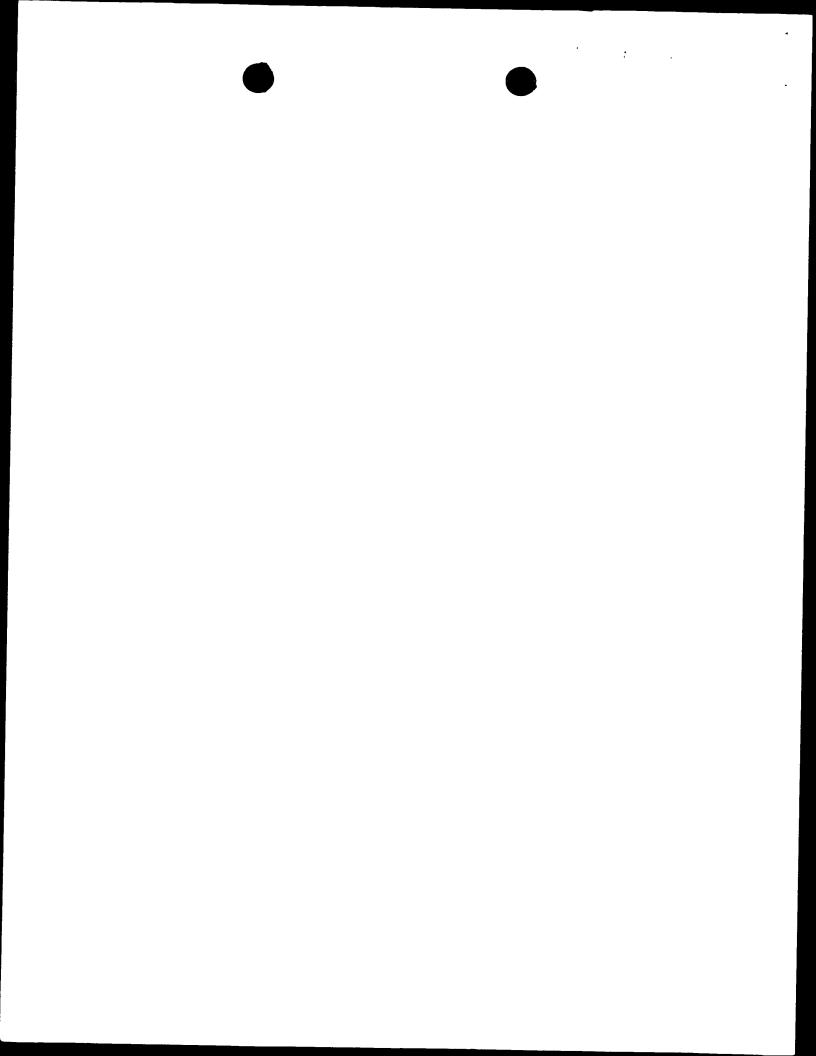




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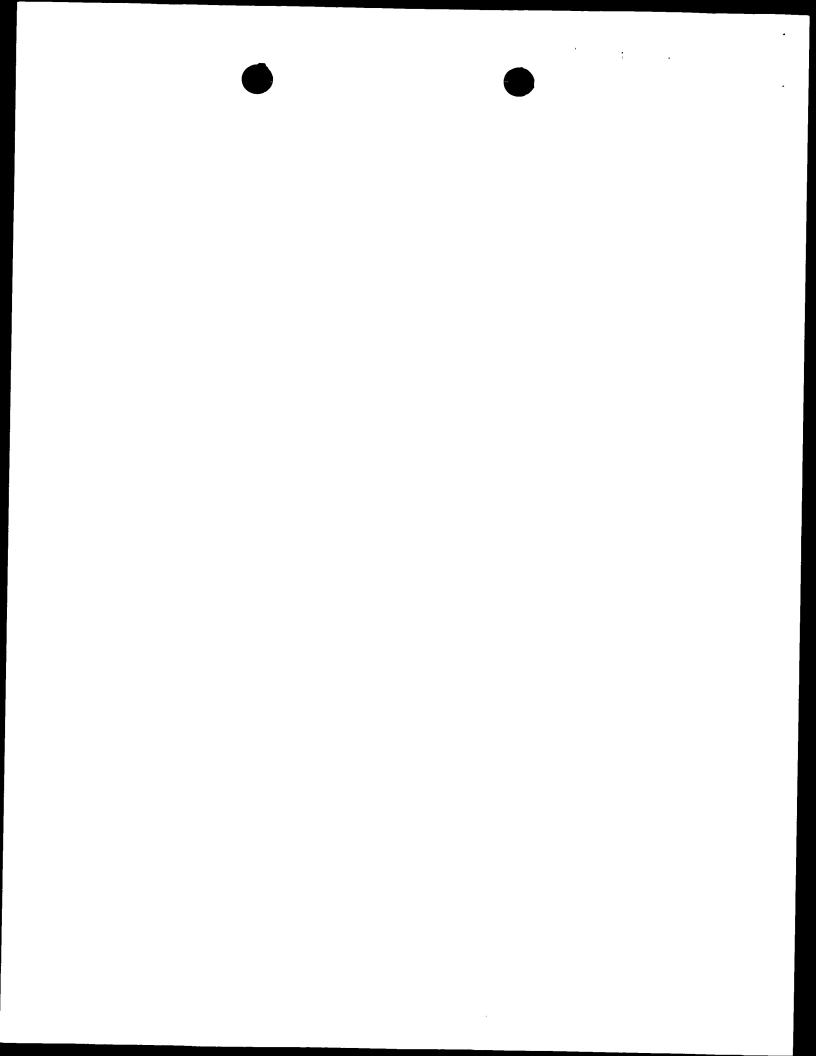




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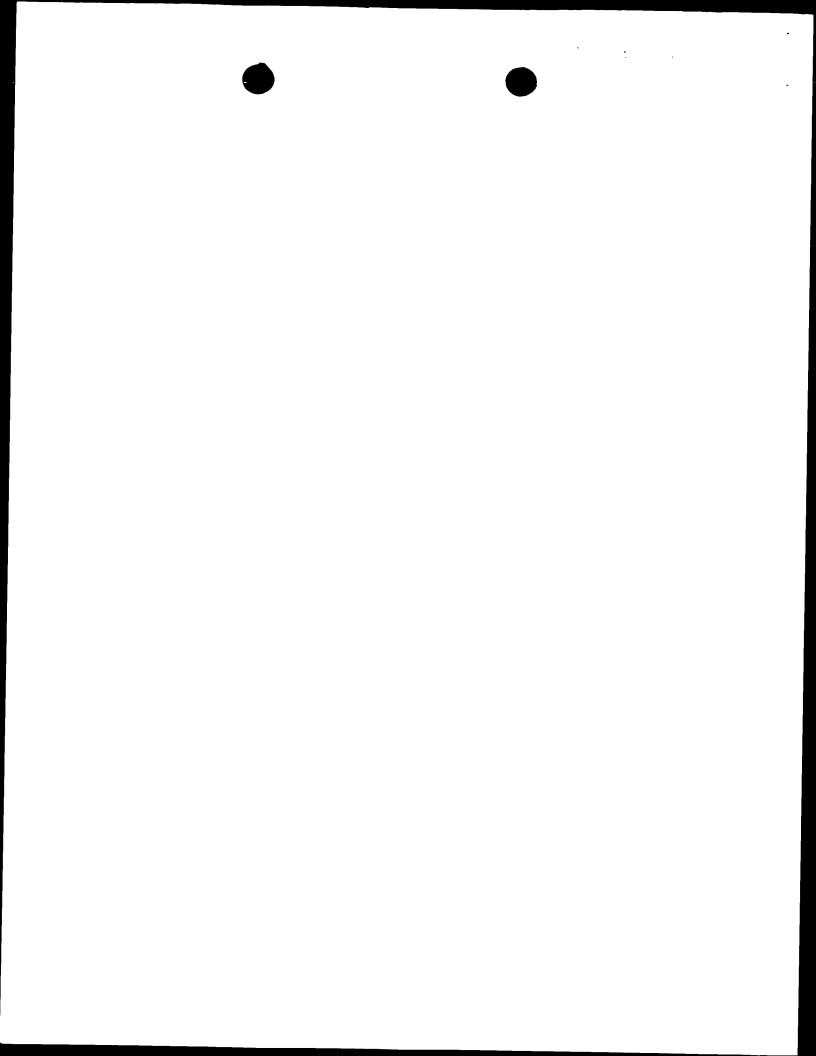


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The use of asymmetric polyfluorinated biphenyl, binaphthyl or bipyridyl compounds as catalysts in asymmetric processes or to generate libraries of asymmetric ligands is not suggested by the prior art.



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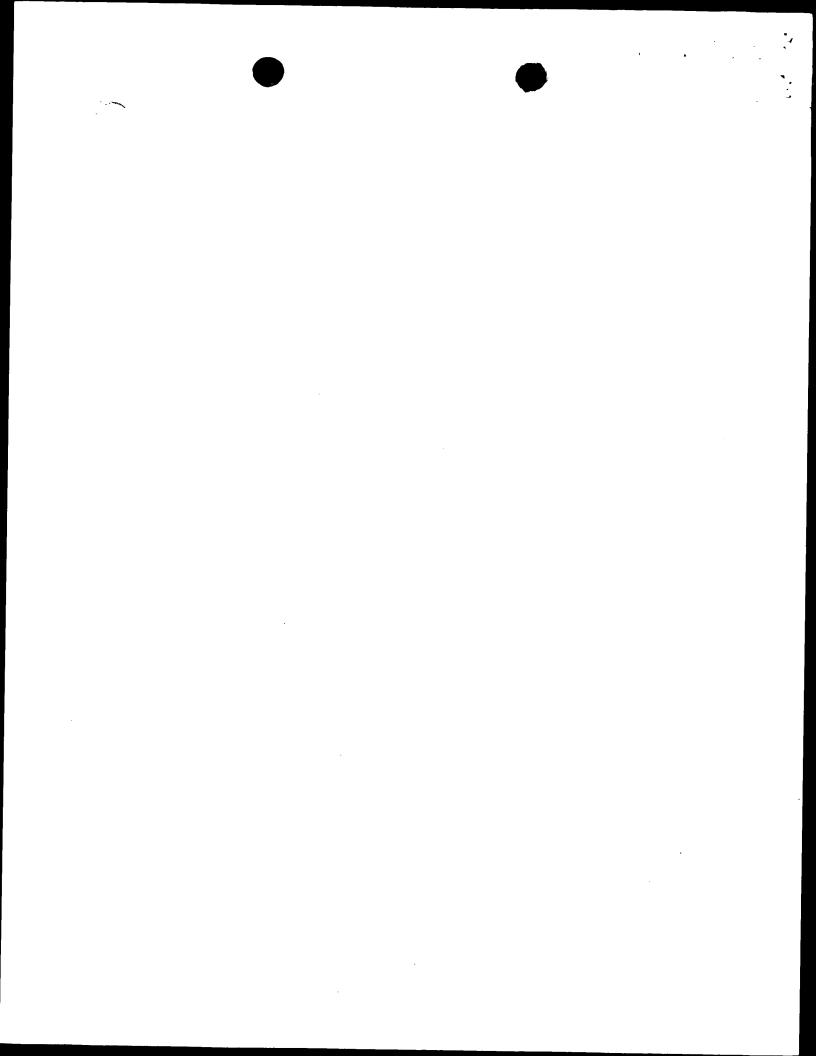
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#### **RELATED APPLICATION DATA**

This application claims priority from United States Provisional 4 Patent Application Nos. 60/144,812 and 60/201,730, filed July 21, 1999 and May 4, 2000, respectively, the specifications of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

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#### FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to electronically perturbed asymmetric aromatic ligands. In one aspect it relates to polyfluorinated aromatic ligand catalysts that may be nucleophilically modifed. The ligands may be used in catalytic processes.

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#### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Modern asymmetric synthesis often calls for 16 catalytic transformations. Understanding the balance of steric and electronic 17 18 factors is required in order to fine-tune a catalyst to achieve optimal rate 19 and selectivity in a particular reaction. The analysis of steric 20 environments around metal centers has traditionally dominated attempts to explain and predict the outcome 21 of metal-based 22 enantioselective processes. In comparison, the importance of electronic effects in asymmetric induction was appreciated only in recent years. 23 24 known catalytic systems employ electronically substituents on ligands in order to modulate reactivity of the metal 25 center. 26

example, in the catalytic asymmetric epoxidation unfunctionalized olefins, electronic properties of substituents on chiral salen ligands determine the nature of transition state (M. Palucki et al J. Am. Chem Soc. 1998, 120, 948). The later transition state leads to higher enantioselectivities and electronic attenuation of electrophilic Mn=O

centers affords higher levels of enantiomeric excess. Enhancement of enantioselectivity through incorporation of fluorine atoms on chiral phosphine ligands in the asymmetric hydrocyanation of olefins was documented (T.V. Rajanbabu, A.L. Casalnuovo *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1996, 118, 6325). The concept of induced electronic asymmetry allows one to increase the enantioselectivity of rhodium-catalyzed hydroboration of olefins (A. Schnyder et al. *Angew Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.* 1995, 34, 931).

Much research has been devoted to the development of chiral 8 ligands. Among these, the 2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl ("BINOL") and 9 related molecules with axial chirality have found wide utility in 10 asymmetric catalysis. Over the years, several modifications to the BINOL 11 skeleton aimed at modifying its steric and electronic properties have been 12 reported. For example, partially hydrogenated BINOL was used as a 13 catalyst precursor in enanatioselective alkylation of aldehydes (A.S.C. 14 Chan et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 4080), conjugate addition of 15 diethylzinc to cyclic enones (F. Y. Zhang, A.S.C. Chan Tetrahedron: 16 Asymmetry 1998, 9, 1179), and ring opening of epoxides (T. Iida et al. 17 Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl. 1998, 37, 2223). Incorporation of bromines 18 into the 6 and 6' positions of BINOL, rather remote from the catalytic site, 10 was shown to increase the enantioselectivity of the corresponding 20 titanium catalysts in glyoxolate-ene reactions (M. Terada et al. 21 Tetrahedron Lett. 1994, 35, 1994). Bulky triarylsilyl groups at the 3 and 3' 22 positions of BINOL led to increased levels of enantiofacial discrimination 23 of prochiral aldehydes in asymmetric Diels-Alder reactions (Pu; L Chem. 24 Rev. 1998, 98, 2405). 3,3'-dinitrooctahydrobinaphthol was applied in 25 titanium-catalyzed asymmetric oxidation of methyl-p-toly¹sulfide (Reetz, 26 M. T. et al. Tetrahedron Lett. 1997, 38, 5273). 27

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## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to new asymmetric aromatic ligands that may be used as catalysts. The ligand may be any aromatic ring system

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containing one or more electronegative substituents. Preferably, the electronegative substituents are fluorine and the aromatic ring system is axially chiral, such as a biphenyl, binaphthyl or bipyridine derivative. In one preferred embodiment, the aromatic ring system is a binaphthyl derivative.

Fluorine substitution of aromatic groups modifies their properties 6 including configurational stability and catalytic activity. One issue is the 7 nature of steric and electronic effects of fluorination on aromatic based 8 catalysts. The basic premise is that alteration of stabilizing stacking and edge-face interactions significantly affects approach of certain substrates to 10 catalytic reaction centers. Due to fluorine's high electronegativity, electron 11 density in fluoronaphthyl rings is locoated at the periphery, rather than 12 in the ring's centre. The present invention will be illustrated by examples 13 such as preparation of enantiomerically pure fluorobinaphthyl ligands 14 and their application in catalytic asymmetric processes. 15

In one aspect of the present invention, there is provided an asymmetric ligand comprising an aromatic ring system substituted with at least one electronegative radical.

In another aspect, there is provided a method of producing a fluorinated asymmetric ligand having an aromatic ring system comprising fluorinating the aromatic ring system.

In yet another aspect, the present invention relates to asymmetric ligands comprising an aromatic ring system substituted with at least one electronegative substituent that is modified through nucleophilic substitution. Preferably, the electronegative substituent is fluorine, and the modification consists of displacing fluorine atoms on a polyfluorinated aromatic ring system with a nucleophile. As one example, the fluorine atoms at the 7 and 7′ positions of 5,5′,6,6′,7,7′,8,8′-octafluoro-2,2′-dihydroxy-1-1′-binaphthyl (F<sub>8</sub>BINOL) are selectively displaced with a nucleophile.

Accordingly, the present invention also provides a compound having the Formula III:

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- nucleophile X, wherein X may be OR9, NR10R11, SR12, SiR13R14R15, SeR16 and wherein each of R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15 and R16 may
- be the same or different and may be hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> aromatic, aliphatic,
- 4 linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted
- with N, O, S, or P; with the proviso that at least one of R5 and R5', R6 and
- 6 R6', R7 and R7', and R8 and R8' is electronegative.

In one preferred embodiment, R5, R6, R7 and R8 are the same and are H or F, and R5', R6', R7' and R8' are the same and are H or F, with the proviso that R5, R6, R7 and R8 are not the same as R5', R6', R7' and R8'.

In another embodiment, R5, R5', R6, R6', R7, R7', R8 and R8' are all the same and are F.

More preferably, each of R, R', R", R", R", R"", and R"" are H, or  $C_1$ - $C_6$  aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S or P; R7 and R7' are the same and are a nucleophile X, and R5, R5', R6, R6', R8 and R8' are the same and are F.

In still another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a method of generating a library of a predetermined number of asymmetric ligands comprising:

- a) Providing an aromatic ring system having at least one electronegative substituent;
- b) Selective substituting at least one electronegative substituent with a nucleophile; and
  - c) Repeating steps a) and b) a predetermined number of times to obtain a predetermined number of ligands.

Other features and advantages of the present invention will become apparent from the following detailed description. It should be understood, however, that the detailed description and the specific examples while indicating preferred embodiments of the invention are given by way of illustration only, since various changes and

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14	Figure 4 shows the attachment of a modified catalyst to an
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16	Figure 5 shows experimentally observed cyclic voltammogram for
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18	Figure 6 shows the attachment of a modified catalyst to a solid
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21	of the modified catalyst;
22	Figure 8 is a schematic showing the chemistry of the nucleophilic
23	modification at the 6 and 6' positions;
24	Figure 9 illustrates internal nucleophilic displacement in
25	monoprotected F8BINOL; and
26	Figure 10 illustrates a synthesis scheme for preparing $H_4F_4$ ligands.
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28	DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT
29	As previously mentioned, the present invention relates to aromatic
30	asymmetric ligands containing at least one electronegative substituent.
.31	Optionally, the ligands may be modified with a nucleophile.

The present invention will be exemplified, by way of example by disclosing the design a new family of polyfluoroaryl ligands that originate from 2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl ("BINOL"), a catalyst precursor of broad utility in asymmetric catalysis (R. Noyori Asymmetric Catalysis in Organic Synthesis, Wiley: New York, 1994). The structure of BINOL is shown in Formula I:

#### Formula I

While the present invention will be described herein in relation to BINOL derivatives, it will be readily appreciated by those skilled in the art that other compounds having similar structures and properties may be substituted for BINOL. In particular, any aromatic ring structure is suitable for use in connection with the invention. For example, benzene, pyridine, naphthalene, anthracene and their derivatives are suitable for use with the invention (e.g. polyfluorinated benzene and polyfluorinated naphthalene). More preferably, the aromatic ring is one that exhibits axial chirality due to steric hinderance, i.e. the rings are not free to rotate about an axis because of steric hinderance. Such ring systems are known to those skilled in the art, and include biphenyl, binaphthyl, bipyridine and their derivatives.

More preferably, the aromatic ring structure is binaphthyl or a derivative thereof. Most preferably, the aromatic ring structure is a 2, 2' di-substituted binaphthyl derivative, where the substituent is hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkoxy, phenoxy, phosphino, phosphine oxide, primary or secondary

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C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> amine, or primary or secondary sulfides. Some specific examples of 1

such ring structures include the 2, 2' dihydroxy, 2, 2' dimethoxy, 2, 2' 2

diphosphine, 2, 2' diphosphine oxide, and 2, 2' diamino derivatives of 3

binaphthyl. Further, while it may be desirable, it is not necessary that the

substituents at the 2 and 2' positions be the same. For example, the 5

aromatic ring may be a 2-hydroxy, 2'-amino derivative or the like. 6

Furthermore, while the present invention is described generally in relation to being an aromatic ring substituted with fluorine, it will be appreciated that any relatively small electronegative radical may be utilized. Electronegative radicals are well known to those skilled in the art and include radicals such as CN and NO2, OR where R is as defined above, SO<sub>2</sub>Ar where Ar is any aromatic ring system, SOPh, Cl, Br, I, N<sub>3</sub>, NR<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> where each R is the same or different and may be as defined above, OAr where Ar is as defined above, SR where R is as defined above, and NH<sub>2</sub>, that may be utilized in accordance with the present invention. Preferable electronegative substituents include F, Cl, Br, I, CN, and NO<sub>2</sub>. Fluorine is particularly useful in accordance with the present invention, since it is highly electronegative, and does not significantly affect the torsion angle of the aromatic moiety.

Without being limited by theory, the inventors postulate that since 20 the van der Waals radius of fluorine atoms is about 0.27Å larger than that of hydrogen atoms (B.E. Smart Organofluorine Compounds: and Commerical Applications, R.E. Banks, ed., Chapter 3, Plenum Press: New York, 1994), the replacement of hydrogens for fluorines at the 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, and 8' positions of BINOL may affect the torsion angle minimally in the resulting 5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'binaphthyl ("F<sub>8</sub>BINOL", Formula II below). More importantly, considerable electronic perturbations take place due to the net effect of eight fluorine atoms. The electron-deficient nature of the aromatic rings in Formula II should result in a higher oxidative stability compared to Formula I and increased acidity of the hydroxyl groups which could

potentially affect binding to metals and the corresponding substrates in the F<sub>8</sub>BINOL-mediated reactions. The increased acidity of the hydroxyl could also result in an increase in the lewis acidity of the bound metal compared to a non fluorinated binol analogue.

Formula II

Optionally, one or more of the electronegative radicals may be selectively substituted with a nucleophile. More preferably, one or more fluorine atoms on the aromatic ring system are selectively displaced with a nucleophile on a polyfluorinated catalyst such as the catalyst 5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (F<sub>8</sub>BINOL). Ligands suitable for use as nucleophiles are well known to those skilled in the art and generally include radicals such as alcohols, amines, thiols and phenols. Some examples of suitable nucleophiles include NH2', PH<sub>3</sub>C', PhNH', ArS', RO', R<sub>2</sub>NH, ArO', OH', ArNH<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, halogen, where, in each case, Ar is aromatic, and R may be the same or different and is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P.

The present invention also relates to compounds of the Formula

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wherein R2 and R2' are the same or different and are OR where R may be hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P; PR'R" where R' and R'' are the same or different and are hydrogen, or  $C_1$ - $C_{20}$  aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P; phosphine oxide; NR"'R"" where R" and R"" are the same or different and are hydrogen, or C1-C20 aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P; SR""R"" where R"" and R"" are the same or different and are hydrogen, or  $C_1$ - $C_{20}$  aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P; and R5, R5', R6, R6', R7, R7', R8 and R8' are independently hydrogen, fluorine, CN, NO2, , OR (where R is as defined above), SO2Ar where Ar is any aromatic ring system, SOPh, Cl, Br, I, N<sub>3</sub>, NR<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> where each R is the same or different and may be as defined above, OAr where Ar is as defined above, SR where R is as defined above, NH<sub>2</sub>, a

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each R is the same or different and may be as defined above, OAr where

- 2 Ar is as defined above, SR where R is as defined above, NH<sub>2</sub>, a
- nucleophile X, wherein X may be OR9, NR10R11, SR12, SiR13R14R15,
- 4 SeR16 wherein each of R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, and R16 may be
- 5 the same or different and may be hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> aromatic, aliphatic,
- 6 linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted
- with N, O, S, or P; with the proviso that at least one of R5 and R5', R6
- and R6', R7 and R7', and R8 and R8' is electronegative.
  - In one preferred embodiment, R5, R6, R7 and R8 are the same and are H or F, and R5', R6', R7' and R8' are the same and are H or F, with the proviso that R5, R6, R7 and R8 are not the same as R5', R6', R7' and R8'.
- In another embodiment, R5, R5', R6, R6', R7, R7', R8 and R8' are all the same and are F.
  - In a preferred embodiment, R5, R5', R6, R6', R8 and R8' are fluorine atoms; R7 and R7' are the same, and are a nucleophile X. In another preferred embodiment, R5, R5', R8 and R8' are fluorine atoms, R6 and R6' are the same and are a nucleophile X, and R7 and R7' are the same and are a nucleophile Y where Y has the same definition as X and where X and Y may be the same or different.
  - Preferably, the nucleophiles X and Y are an OR group, where R is as defined above, and the modified catalyst is prepared from the bis (methylether) or bis(benzyl ether) of F<sub>8</sub>BINOL (i.e. where R2 and R2' are methoxy, or benzyloxy) according to the reaction scheme shown in Figure 1.
  - More preferably, the nucleophiles X and Y are a methoxy or ethoxy group. It will be understood by those skilled in the art that different catalytic applications will have different preferred substituents.
  - While the foregoing describes nucleophilic substitution of F<sub>8</sub>BINOL at the 7 and 7′ positions, it will be readily appreciated by those skilled in the art that the fluorine atoms at other positions may be additionally or alternately substituted. For example, Figure 7 shows the

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selective displacement of fluorine atoms at positions 6 and 6' with the

2 nucleophiles X and Y in a modified F<sub>8</sub>BINOL containing the ligand A, B

or C (where A, B, and C may independently be as previously defined for

4 X) groups at positions 7 and 7'. Figure 8 shows the stereochemistry of a

5 modified F<sub>8</sub>BINOL containing nucleophiles at the 6, 6', 7 and 7' positions.

6 In this manner, a matrix of different catalysts may be prepared. Such a

7 matrix is useful in determining what combination of substitutions is

8 most useful for any particular catalytic application.

Selective substitution of the fluorine groups at the 7 and 7 positions with the methoxy group takes place in 95% yield with remarkable selectivity. The configuration integrity of the polyfluorobinaphthyl core during the methoxylation process is shown in Figure 2.

Figure 3 is a schematic diagram showing the chemistry of the 14 modified catalyst at the 7 and 7' positions. The favourable conformation 15 of the modified catalyst leads to many improved properties and utilities 16 for the catalyst. For example, facile modification at the 7,7' positions 17 suggests the possibility of placing the catalytic reaction center in that area. 18 Direct connection of heteroatoms by nucleophilic substitution should 19 lead to novel C2 symmetrical ligands. Their monodentate nature will 20 result from the steric constrains that should defeat chelation. In order to 21 create different bidentate sites at the 7 and 7' positions, linkers of varied 22 lengths may be attached to the 7 and 7' positions. Examples of linkers and 23 their methods of attachment are well known in the art. Examples of 24 linkers include -OCH2CH2NH2, -OCH2CH2OH, -OCH2NH2, -OCH2PH2, -25 CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SH, etc. 26

It will be appreciated by those skilled in the art that the compounds of the present invention may be in racemic or optically pure form. In a preferred embodiment, the compounds are in the optically pure S form.

The examples following particularize the preparation of compounds within the scope of the present invention. Generally

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speaking, unsubstituted polyfluorinated compounds may be prepared according to Scheme 1. While reference is made to fluorinated aromatics, it will be appreciated that similar standard processes may be used for other compounds within the scope of the present invention.

Scheme 1

$$F_{5} \stackrel{\text{ii}}{=} CI \qquad a. b \qquad F_{4} \stackrel{\text{ii}}{=} OR'$$

$$C \qquad A. R = Br \qquad e \qquad 5. R' = Me$$

$$C \qquad A. R = Br \qquad e \qquad 2. R' = H$$

<sup>a</sup>Key: (a) *n*-BuLi, ether, -78 °C; (b) 3-methoxythiophene, -78 °C to r.t.; (c) NBS, acetonitrile r.t.; (d) Cu°, 175 °C; (e) BBr<sub>3</sub>, dichloromethane, r.t.

Nucleophilic displacement of aromatic fluorine is a well known reaction with a wide scope and utility [Welch, 2000 #14]. The presence of the fluorine atoms in the 2,2' dihydroxy BINOL derivative (compound 1a in Formula IV) suggests nucleophilic substitution as a potential route to **NaOMe** methoxylation with modification. Standard ligand 5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl (compound 1b in Formula IV) results in nucleophilic substitution of fluorine, but a complicated mixture of poly(methoxylated) products is obtained, indicating regioselectivity. However, the presence of the methoxy substituents at the 2 and 2' positions in the bis(methyl) ether (compound 1c in Formula IV) is sufficient to secure high regioselectiveity of the methoxylation reaction. Double substitution proceeds smoothly and results in bis(methoxy) product in good chemical yield and with regioselectivity.

#### Formula IV

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Other alkoxy nucleophiles behave in a similar manner and may be similarly substituted (See Scheme 2 below). However, subsequent dealkylation with boron tribromide suffers from poor chemoselectivity. Therefore, the use of the bis(benzyl) ether (compound 1d in Formula IV) or another selective protective group which benefits from selective deprotection via hydrogenation, is preferable in order to arrive at the final bis-2,2'-hydroxy stage.

No racemization is observed when enantiomerically pure bis(methoxy) derivative (compound 1c in Formula IV) is used in the methoxylation reaction.

#### Scheme 2

21	r	F			
22		R	R'	yield (%)	
23		Me	Me	95	
24		Et	Bn	88	
25		iPr	Bn	88	
26		<i>t</i> Bu	Bn	88	
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It will, of course, be appreciated that the nucleophilical substitution process may be utilized with not only the binaphthyl derivatives above described, but with any of the aromatic ring systems previously described. For example, the selective substitution may be be used on polyfluorinated benzene or polyfluorinated naphthalene systems, or indeed any aromatic ring system having at least one electronegative radical.

Those skilled in the art will understand that the compounds of the present invention have many useful applications. Such applications include asymmetric catalysis with main group elements, transition metal and lanthanide metals; asymmetric reagent with main group elements, transition metal and lanthanide metals; polymer supported catalysis; incorporation of molecules into crown ethers for development of phase transfer catalysts; use of compounds as a monomer for polymerization; asymmetric polymer supported electrochemical oxidation catalysis; as a chiral auxiliary in an asymmetric reaction; as a resolving agent for chiral compounds, including but not limited to amines; asymmetric catalysis (reagent) in fluorous phase reactions; as a chiral stationary phase for HPLC and other chromatographic techniques; phase transfer catalyst between organic, fluorous phase and alkali solutions.

One specific application is to develop combinatorial approaches to catalyst development. It is possible to determine which substitution pattern on the  $F_8BINOL$  moiety gives optimal catalyst with regard to rate and selectivity in a particular reaction. To address this issue, the dihedral angle and electron distribution in  $F_8BINOL$  may be varied by replacing fluorine atoms at the 7,7' positions with a variety of nucleophiles to develop analogs of  $F_8BINOL$ .

It is also possible to generate libraries of such analogs using solution and solid-phase parallel synthesis. The structure/activity relationships may be deciphered based on screening the resulting catalyst libraries in a variety of reactions including hetero Diels-Alder, aziridination, direct aldol, and imine hydrogenation processes.

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A library of compounds may also be generated for any other suitable purpose. For example, it is possible to build a library of compounds for pharmaceutical testing. With the highly selective substitution, it is possible to start with a base compound and develop a number of related but different compounds by selectively substituting different nucleophiles at the same or different locations on the base compound. Pharmacological activity screening may then be done on the library of compounds to determine which compounds have the highest activity.

The highly selective nucleophilic functionalization of the F<sub>8</sub>BINOL core will allow the attachment of the modified catalysts to an electrode surface or a solid support. Figure 4 shows the attachment of the modified catalyst to an electrode surface and Figure 5 shows experimentally observed cyclic voltammogram for the modified electrode surface.

Figure 6 shows the attachment of the modified catalyst to a solid support. In particular, Figure 6 exemplifies an approach toward libraries of TentaGel S OH resin-linked catalysts. An alternative to this strategy is to introduce functionality X directly onto the ligand-derivatized resin. On bead screening for the catalytic activity will allow the fine-tuning of the 19 ligand's torsion angle using solid-phase chemistry by manipulating the 7,7' substituents. It should be emphasized that established routes to modified BINOL involve rather harsh electrophilic functionalization which puts substituents into the 6,6' positions and necessitates a subsequent resolution step which is not feasible under combinatorial protocols commonly performed on a microgram scale. On the contrary, high configurational stability of F<sub>8</sub>BINOL under basic conditions will enable the use the homochiral starting material without the loss of enantiomeric purity during the nucleophilic substitution. substituents at the 7,7' positions could have direct steric influence over the dihedral angle which should modulate the catalytic activity, a feature not available for the 6,6' substitution pattern.

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Figure 9 shows internal nucleophilic displacement in monoprotected  $F_8BINOL$  which illustrates that the axial chirality of  $F_8BINOL$  provides convenient access to ligands with helical chirality.

Utility of the poly(alkoxylated) ligands in asymmetric catalysis was illustrated using diethylzinc addition to aldehydes. We observed high levels of enantioselectivity in titanium-catalyzed addition of diethylzinc to aldehydes using x and x under the conditions where the formation of the monomeric catalysts of 1:1 composition is favored.

All publications, patents and patent applications are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety to the same extent as if each individual publication, patent or patent application was specifically and individually indicated to be incorporated by reference in its entirety.

The following examples, which are non-limiting, are illustrative of the present invention. The scope of the invention is limited only by the claims.

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#### **EXAMPLES**

## I. FLUORINE SUBSTITUTION OF BINOL

## (a) 5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl

Racemic form of the compound 5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-2,2'-20 dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (compound 2 in Scheme 1) was prepared 21 according to Scheme 1 above. Tetrafluorobenzyne, formed by treating 22 commercially available chloropentafluorobenzene with n-butyllithium at 23 was reacted with 3-methoxythiophene, obtained from 3-24 bromothiophene using a literature procedure (methoxythiophene 25 preparation). Upon the in situ extrusion of sulfur, 2-methoxy-5,6,7,8-26 tetrafluoronaphthalene (Formula III) was obtained in 52% yield. 5,6,7,8-27 2-methoxy-5,6,7,8from Tetrafluoro-2-naphthol, prepared 28 tetrafluoronaphthalene by demethylation with BBr3, did not undergo the 29 FeCl<sub>3</sub>- catalyzed oxidative coupling, commonly used for the preparation 30 of BINOL from 2-naphthol (BINOL prep via FeCl<sub>3</sub> coupling). Instead, 31

substitution of hydrogen for chlorine at the 1 position of the aromatic

2 ring took place. Higher oxidation potential of 5,6,7,8-tetrafluoro-2-

naphthol (2.07V vs Ag/AgCl compared to 1.47V vs Ag/AgCl for BINOL)

is a likely reason for the lack of reactivity in the oxidative coupling.

5 Therefore, the reductive route through intermediacy of the 1brominated derivative (compound 4 in Scheme 1), prepared in 52% yield 6 from compound 3 in Scheme 1 by treatment with N-bromosuccinimide 7 in acetonitrile, was utilized. The Ullmann homocoupling of the 1-bromo 8 derivative, facilitated by the presence of aromatic fluorines, gave the 9 desired bis(methoxy) product (compound 5 in Scheme 1) in 85% yield. 10 Demethylation of the bis(methoxy) derivative with BBr<sub>3</sub> furnished 11 F<sub>8</sub>BINOL (compound 12 2 in Scheme 1) in 88% yield. Finally, recrystallization from methanol/water gave pure F<sub>8</sub>BINOL as white 13 needles. After several unsuccessful attempts at resolving F<sub>8</sub>BINOL, the 14 15 diastereomeric bis(menthyl)carbonates were chromatographically 16 separated by reacting racemic F<sub>8</sub>BINOL with excess menthylchloroformate. Treatment of each diastereomer with dilute 17 NaOH followed by extraction with diethyl ether afforded (-)- $F_8BINOL$  and 18 (+)-F<sub>8</sub>BINOL, respectively. The enantiomeric excess, determined using 19 chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD column), was found to be >99.9% in each case. 20

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## (b) 5,6,7,8-tetrafluoro-1-naphthol

Replacement of aromatic hydrogens for fluorines is known to substantially increase barriers to axial torsion in substituted biphenyls. For example, fluorination of the 4 and 5 positions dihydrophenanthrene raises the torsion barrier from 4.1 to 10.3 kcal/mol (M. Schlosser, D. Michel Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 99 and references cited therein). In order to estimate the effect of polyfluorination on atropisomerism in the octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl species racemic 5,6,7,8octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl (compound 6 below) was prepared and its X-ray structure determined. Racemic 5,6,7,8-octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl was

prepared from 5,6,7,8-tetrafluoro-1-naphthol (G. W. Gribble, C. G. LeHoullier, M. P. Sibi, R. W. Allen J. Org. Chem. 1985, 50, 1611) by Ni(0)-catalyzed homocoupling of its trifluoromethanesulfonate ester in NMP at 100 °C. The torsion angles in the molecular structures of BINOL and F<sub>8</sub>BINOL were not compared due to the possibility of intramolecular OH-F hydrogen bonding in the crystal lattice that could have complicated direct comparison of geometric parameters. Remarkably, the torsion angle between the two tetrafluorinated naphthyl planes in 5,6,7,8-octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl is only 0.7° larger than in the parent hydrido derivative (70.2° for octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl vs 69.5° for 1,1'-binaphthyl (R. Kuroda, S. F. Martin J. Chem. Soc. Perkin Trans II 1981, 167)). 

To further understand atropisomerism in  $F_8BINOL$  acid-promoted racemization of its (-) enantiomer was investigated. This process is known to operate for BINOL. Remarkably,  $F_8BINOL$  remains optically active (99.9% e.e) after 24 hours in boiling THF/HCl mixture, whereas BINOL rapidly racemizes under these conditions!

Polyfluorination of aromatic nuclei is also known to decrease pKa's of bound heteroatoms (B. E. Smart, in: Organofluorine compounds: Principles and Commercial Applications (R. E. Banks, ed.), Chapter 3, Plenum Press: New York, 1994). For example, incorporation of four fluorine atoms into the aromatic skeleton of tyrosine results in the pKa' decrease of the ring-bound hydroxyl group by 5 units (K. Kim, P. A. Cole J.

1 Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 6851). It was determined that the pKa' of the 2 hydroxyl group in F<sub>8</sub>BINOL decreases by 1 unit upon octafluorination 3 (BINOL: pKa' 10.28; F<sub>8</sub>BINOL: pKa' 9.29). Another important consequence 4 of fluorination is anodic shift in the oxidation potential of F<sub>8</sub>BINOL, 5 which was found to be more positive than that of binaphthyl by 0.6 V, a 6 useful property for applications in oxidation catalysis.

These results lead to the conclusion that the effect of fluorine on the reactivity of  $F_8BINOL$  is primarily electronic in nature. The desired conformational flexibility, one of the most important characteristics of BINOL allowing it to coordinate a wide variety of metals, should be preserved. Remarkable configurational stability of either enantiomer of  $F_8BINOL$  is perhaps its most valuable property.

#### II. NUCLEOPHILIC SUBSTITUTION

General: Anhydrous THF was obtained by distillation over sodium benzophenone ketyl under nitrogen. 2,2'-dimethoxy-5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl and 2,2'-dihydroxy-5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl were prepared according to literature procedures. Column chromatography was carried out using 230-400 mesh silica gel.

# (a) 2,2',7,7'-tetramethoxy-5,5',6,6',8,8'-hexafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl(1)

To a solution of 2,2'-dimethoxy-5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl (91.7mg, 0.2mmol) in anhydrous THF (10mL) was added 81μl (2.0mmol) methanol and 112mg (2.0mmol) KOH . The mixture was stirred and refluxed for 12hrs. The reaction mixture was diluted with ether and washed with aqueous HCl (5%) . The result organic extract was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated. Purification of the residue by chromatography over silica afforded pure (1) (91.0mg, 84%) as white solid.

- <sup>1</sup>HNMR(400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ8.10(d, J=9.2Hz, 2H), 7.42(d, J=9.2Hz, 2H),
- 3.91(S, 6H), 3.75(S, 6H).  $^{19}$ FNMR(400MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -140.93(d, J=16.8Hz), -
- <sub>3</sub> 152.65(dd, J=16.8Hz, 3.2Hz), -158.80(d, J=19.6Hz). <sup>13</sup>CNMR(100MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):
- 4 δ155.6(s), 147.2(dt, J=249.2Hz, 3.8Hz), 142.4(ddd, J=249.0Hz, 6.1Hz, 4.6Hz),
- 5 139.9(ddd, J=250.0Hz, 9.2Hz, 4.5Hz), 135.9(m), 121.6(m), 120.9(m), 117.2(s),
- 6 116.0(dd, J=9.9Hz, 4.5Hz), 114.3(s), 62.5(s), 56.9(s). HREI-MS, m/z: Calcd for
- 7 C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 482.0953; found, 482.0958.

### 9 (b) 2,2'-dimethoxy-7,7'-diethoxy-5,5'6,6',8,8'-hexafluoro-1,1'-

#### 10 binaphthyl(2)

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- In accordance to the general procedure described above, but 116μl
- (2.0mmol) ethanol was used instead of methanol. A total of 78.1mg (77%)
- of 2 was obtained as white solid.
- $^{1}$ HNMR(400MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.09(d, J=9.2Hz, 2H), 7.38(d, J=9.6Hz, 2H),
- 4.11(q, J=6.8Hz, 4H), 3.73(S, 6H), 1.29(t, J= 6.8Hz, 6H). <sup>19</sup>FNMR(400MHz,
- $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -139.91(d, J=16.8Hz), -152.68(dd, J=16.8Hz, 2.8Hz), -158.08(d,
- J=19.6Hz). <sup>13</sup>CNMR(100MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): $\delta$ 155.6(s), 147.6(dt, J=249.3Hz, 3.8Hz),
- 18 142.3(ddd, J=247.0Hz, 6.0Hz, 4.6Hz), 140.2(ddd, J=246.0Hz, 9.2Hz, 4.5Hz),
- 19 134.8(m), 121.5(m), 120.9(m), 117.2(s), 116.1(dd, J=9.8Hz, 3.8Hz), 114.2(s),
- 20 71.0(s), 56.9(s), 15.5(s). HREI-MS, m/z: Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{20}F_6O_4$ , 510.1255;
- 21 found, 510.1266.

# 23 (c) 2,2'-dimethoxy-7,7'-di-iso-propoxy-5,5',6,6',8,8'-hexafluoro-1,1'-

#### 24 binaphthyl(3)

- In accordance to the general procedure described above, but 154μl
- 26 (2.0mmol) iso-propanol was used instead of methanol. A total of 87.9mg
- 27 (89%) of 3 was obtained as white foam.
- $^{1}$ HNMR(400MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta 8.08$ (d, J=9.2Hz, 2H), 7.38(d, J=9.2Hz, 2H),
- 29 4.36(sep, J=6.0Hz, 2H), 3.71(s, 6H), 1.23(dd, J=6.0Hz, 3.2Hz, 12H).

- <sup>19</sup>FNMR(400MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  -157.19(d, J=19.6Hz), -152.81(dd, J=16.8Hz,
- 2 2.8Hz), -138.60(d, J=16.8Hz).  $^{13}$ CNMR(100MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  155.6(s), 148.2(dt,
- 3 J=250.0Hz, 3.8Hz), 142.3(ddd, J=247.0Hz, 6.0Hz, 4.6Hz), 140.6(ddd,
- 4 J=245.0Hz, 9.2Hz, 3.8Hz), 133.8(m), 121.5(m), 120.9(m), 117.3(s), 116.2(dd,
- 5 J=10.6Hz, 3.8Hz), 114.2(s), 77.7(s), 56.8(s), 22.4(s). HREI-MS m/z: Calcd for
- 6  $C_{28}H_{24}F_6O_4$  538.1583; found, 538.1579.

#### 8 (d) 2,2'-dimethoxy-7,7'-dibenzyloxy-5,5',6,6',8,8'-hexafluoro-1,1'-9 binaphthyl(4)

In accordance to the general procedure described above, but  $207\mu l$ 

- 11 (2.0mmol) benzyl alcohol was uesd instead of methanol. A total of
- 98.6mg(78%) of 4 was obtained as white foam. <sup>1</sup>HNMR(400MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):
- 13  $\delta 8.07(d, J=9.2Hz, 2H)$ , 7.37-7.22(m, 12H), 5.06(s, 4H), 3.68(s, 6H).
- <sup>14</sup> <sup>19</sup>FNMR(400MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  -138.78(d, J=16.8Hz), -152.49(dd, J=16.8Hz,
- 15 2.8Hz), -157.48(d, J=20.8Hz). <sup>13</sup>CNMR(100MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ155.6(s), 147.6(dt,
- 16 J=250.0Hz, 3.8Hz), 142.3(ddd, J=247.0Hz, 6.8Hz, 4.6Hz), 140.1(ddd,
- 17 J=246.0Hz, 9.1Hz, 3.8Hz), 136.3(s), 134.4(m), 128.7(d, J=3.1HZ), 128.6(d,
- 18 J=4.6Hz), 128.5(s), 121.6(m), 120.9(m), 117.2(s), 116.2(dd, J=9.8Hz, 4.6Hz),
- 19 114.3(s), 76.5(s), 56.9(s). HREI-MS, m/z: Calcd for  $C_{36}H_{24}F_6O_4$ , 634.1560;
- 20 found, 634.1579.

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### (e) 2,2'-dibenzyloxy-5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl(5)

- To a solution of 2,2'-dihydroxy-5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-1,1'-
- binaphthyl (215.2mg, 0.5mmol) and potassium carbonate (691mg, 5mmol)
- 25 in THF(15mL) was added benzyl bromide (0.6mL, 5mmol). The mixture
- 26 was stirred and refluxed for 20hrs. The reaction mixture was diluted with
- ether and washed with aqueous HCl (5%). The solvent and excess benzyl
- 28 bromide were removed under reduced pressure. Recrystallization from a
- 29 Hexanes and dichloromethane mixture gave white solid (224.2mg, 80%).

 $^{1}$ HNMR(400MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta 8.16$ (d, J=9.6Hz, 2H), 7.50(d, J=9.6Hz, 2H), 7.23-1 7.16(m, 6H), 6.98-6.96(m,4H), 5.12(s, 4H).  $^{19}FNMR(300MHz, CDCl_3)$ :  $\delta$ -2 146.72(t, J=17.7Hz), -150.55(dd, J=16.2Hz, 5.1Hz), -158.68(t, J=20.1Hz), -3 163.22(t, J=20.1Hz). 4 5 2,2'-dibenzyloxy-7,7'-dimethoxy-5,5',6,6',8,8'-hexafluoro-1,1'-(e) 6 binaphthyl(6) 7 To a solution of 2,2'-dibenzyloxy-5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-octafluoro-1,1'-8 binaphthyl(5) (224.2mg, 0.4mmol) and potassium hydroxide (224mg, 9 4.0mmol) in THF(20mL) was added methanol (162µl, 4.0mmol). The 10 mixture was stirred and refluxed for 12hrs. The reaction mixture was 11 diluted with ether and washed with aqueous HCl (5%). The result organic 12 extract was dried over MgSO4 and concentrated. Purification of the 13 residue by chromatography over silica afforded pure (6) as white foam 14 (197.9mg, 78%).  $^{1}$ HNMR(400MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ 7.93(d, J=9.2Hz, 2H), 7.24(d, 15 J=9.6Hz, 2H), 7.01-6.96(m, 6H), 6.76(d, J=7.2Hz, 4H), 4.90(s, 4H), 3.74(s, 6H). 16  $^{19}$ FNMR(300MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ -140.18(d, J=17.3Hz), -152.35(dd, J=16.7Hz, 17 3.1Hz), -158.30(d, J=21.5Hz). 18

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# (f)2,2'-dihydroxy-7,7'-dimethoxy-5,5',6,6',8,8'-hexafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl(7)

To a solution of 2,2'-dibenzyloxy-7,7'-dimethoxy-5,5',6,6',8,8'-hexafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl(6) (126.5mg, 0.2mmol) was added Pd/C(85.2mg, 10%) under a hydrogen atmosphere at room temperature. After being stirred at the same temperature for 10nrs, the reaction mixture was filtered and concentrated. Purification of the residue by chromatography over silica afforded pure (7) (quantitatively) as white foam. ¹HNMR(400MHz, CDCl₃): δ8.06(d, J=8.8Hz, 2H), 7.30(d, J=9.2Hz, 2H), 5.39(s, 2H), 3.92(s, 6H). ¹9FNMR(400MHz, CDCl₃): δ -142.14(d, J=15.2Hz), -

- 1 151.24(dd, J=16.8Hz, 2.8Hz), -157.16(d, J=19.6Hz). <sup>13</sup>CNMR(100MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):
- $\delta$  153.2(s), 146.6(dt, J=248.5Hz, 3.8Hz), 142.7(ddd, J=248.0Hz, 6.0Hz, 4.6Hz),
- 3 140.3(ddd, J=248.0Hz, 8.3Hz, 4.6Hz), 136.7(m), 123.5(m), 120.5(m), 118.5(s),
- 4 115.9(dd, J=10.6Hz, 3.8Hz), 108.6(s), 62.5(m). HREI-MS: m/z: calcd for
- 5 C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 454.0642; found, 454.0640.

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1. An asymmetric ligand comprising an aromatic ring system substituted with at least one electronegative radical.

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The ligand as claimed in claim 1 wherein the aromatic ring system
 comprises benzene, pyridine, naphthalene, anthracene or a derivative
 thereof.

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3. The ligand as claimed in claim 1 wherein the aromatic ring system is axially chiral.

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13 4. The ligand as claimed in claim 3 wherein the aromatic ring system
14 comprises a biphenyl, binaphthyl, bipyridine ring system or a
15 derivative thereof.

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5. The ligand as claimed in claim 4 wherein the aromatic ring system comprises a binaphthyl derivative.

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6. The ligand as claimed in claim 5 wherein the aromatic ring system comprises a 2, 2' di substituted binaphthyl ring system.

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7. The ligand as claimed in claim 6 wherein the aromatic ring system is a 23 2, 2' di substituted binaphthyl ring system, and wherein the 24 substitutents at the 2 and 2' positions are the same or different, and are 25 each OR where R may be hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> aromatic, aliphatic, linear 26 or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted 27 with N, O, S, or P, PR'R" where R' and R" are the same or different 28 and are hydrogen, or  $C_1$ - $C_{20}$  that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or 29 branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with 30

N, O, S, or P, phosphine oxide, NR""R"" where R" and R"" are the

1	same or different and are hydrogen, or $C_1$ - $C_{20}$ that may be aromatic,
2	aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted
3	or substituted with N, O, S, or P, SR''"R"" where R"" and R"" are
4	the same or different and are hydrogen, or $C_1$ - $C_{20}$ that may be
5	aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated,
6	unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P.
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8	8. The ligand as claimed in claim 7 wherein R is hydrogen, or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> alkyl
9	which is linear or branched.
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11	9. The ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8 wherein the
12	electronegative radical is fluorine, Cl, Br, I, CN, or $NO_2$ .
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14	10. The ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8 wherein the
15	electronegative radical is fluorine.
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17	11. The ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 8 wherein the aromatic
18	ring system is polyfluorinated.
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20	12. The ligand as claimed in claim 6 or 7 wherein the $5$ , $6$ , $7$ , and $8$
21	positions of the binaphthyl ring system are fluorinated and the $5'$ , $6'$ ,
22	7', and 8' positions of the binaphthyl ring system are not substituted
23	with an electronegative radical.
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25	13. The ligand as claimed in claim 6 or 7 wherein the 5, 6, 7, and 8
26	positions of the binaphthyl ring system are not substituted with an
27	electronegative radical, and the $5'$ , $6'$ , $7'$ , and $8'$ positions of the
28	binaphthyl ring system are fluorinated.
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14. The ligand as claimed in claim 5, 6, 7 or 8 wherein the electronegative 2 radical is fluorine, and the binaphthyl ring system is fluorinated at the 3 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8 and 8' positions.

- 15. The ligand as claimed in claim 8 which is selected from the group of ligands comprising 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, 8'-octafluoro-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl, 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, 8'-octafluoro-2,2'-dimethoxy-1,1'-binaphthyl, 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, 8'-octafluoro-2,2'-di-n-propoxy-1,1'-binaphthyl and 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, 8'-octafluoro-2,2'-di-i-propoxy-1,1'-
- binaphthyl abinaphthyl.

12 16. A compound of the formula III:

wherein R2 and R2' are the same or different and are OR where R may be hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> alkyl aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P; PR'R" where R' and R" are the same or different and are hydrogen, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P; phosphine oxide; NR""R" where R" and R"" are the same or different and are hydrogen, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P; SR"""R"""

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claim 16.

1	where R'''' and R''''' are the same or different and are hydrogen, or $C_1$ - $C_{20}$
2	that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or
3	unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P; and
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5	R5, R5', R6, R6', R7, R7', R8 and R8' are independently hydrogen, fluorine
6	CN, or NO <sub>2</sub> , OR (where R is as defined above), SO <sub>2</sub> Ar where Ar is any
7	aromatic ring system, SOPh, Cl, Br, I, N <sub>3</sub> , NR <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> where each R is the same
8	or different and may be as defined above, OAr where Ar is as defined
9	above, SR where R is as defined above, $NH_{2}$ , a nucleophile X, wherein X
10	may be OR9, NR10R11, SR12, SiR13R14R15, SeR16 and wherein each of
11	R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15 and R16 is the same or different and may
12	be hydrogen, $C_1$ - $C_{20}$ that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched,
13	saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P,
14	with the proviso that at least one of R5, R5', R6, R6', R7, R7', R8 and R8' is
15	electronegative.
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17	17. The compound as claimed in claim 16 wherein R5, R6, R7 and R8 are
18	the same and are H or F, and R5', R6', R7' and R8' are the same and are
19	different than R5, R6, R7 and R8.
20	
21	18. The compound as claimed in claim 16 wherein R2 and R2' are the
22	same or different and are hydrogen or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> aliphatic, linear or
23	branched, and R5, R5', R6, R6', R7, R7', R8 and R8' are each fluorine.
24	are each indomie.
25	19. The compound as claimed in claim 16 wherein R2 and R2' are the
26	same or different and are hydrogen or $C_1$ - $C_6$ aliphatic, linear or
27	branched, and R5, R5', R6, R6', R8 and R8' are each fluorine, and R7
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and R7' are the same or different and are a nucleophile X as claimed in

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1	20. The compound as claimed in claim 16 wherein R2 and R2' are the
2	same or different and are hydrogen or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> aliphatic, linear or
3	branched, and R5, R5', R8 and R8' are each fluorine, and R6, R6', R7,
4	R7' are the same or different and are a nucleophile X as claimed in
5	claim 13.
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7	21. The compound as claimed in claim 19 or 20 wherein the nucleophile
8	X is hydroxy or $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy.
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10	22. A modified polyfluorinated binaphthyl based ligand wherein the
11	fluorine atoms in at least one of positions 5 and $5'$ , $6$ and $6'$ , $7$ and $7'$ ,
12	and 8 and 8' is selectively displaced with a nucleophile.
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14	23. The modified polyfluorinated binaphthyl based ligand as claimed in
15	claim 22 wherein the fluorine atoms at positions 7 and $7'$ are
16	selectively displaced with a nucleophile.
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18	24. The modified polyfluorinated binaphthyl based ligand as claimed in
19	claim 23 wherein the fluorine atoms at positions 6, 6', 7 and 7' are
20	selectively displaced with a nucleophile.
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22	25. A ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 24 wherein the ligand is
23	linked to a solid support.
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25	26. A ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 24 wherein the ligand is
26	linked to an electrode surface.
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28	27. The use a ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 26 for an
29	application selected from the group consisting of asymmetric catalysis
30	with main group elements, transition metal and lanthanide metals,
31	asymmetric reagent with main group elements, transition metal and

1	lanthanide metals, polymer supported catalysis, nucleophilic
2	displacement of fluorine atoms to modify characteristics of molecule,
3	incorporation of molecule into crown ethers for development of
4	phase transfer catalysts, use of compound as a monomer for
5	polymerization, asymmetric polymer supported electrochemical
6	oxidation catalysis, as a chiral auxiliary in an asymmetric reaction, as a
7	resolving agent for chiral compounds, including but not limited to
8	amines, asymmetric catalysis (reagent) in fluorous phase reactions, as a
9	chiral stationary phase for HPLC and other chromatographic
10	techniques, and phase transfer catalyst between organic, fluorous
11	phase and alkali solutions.
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13	28. An asymmetric ligand comprising an aromatic ring system and at least
14	one electronegative substituent, that is modified by selectively
15	nucleophilically substituting at least one electronegative substituent
16	with a nucleophile.
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18	29. A ligand as claimed in claim 28 wherein the aromatic ring system
19	comprises a biphenyl, binaphthyl, bipyridine ring system or a
20	derivative thereof.
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22	30. A ligand as claimed in claim 28 wherein the aromatic ring system is
23	axially chiral.
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	31. A ligand as claimed in claim 30 wherein the electrophilic substituent
26 27	comprises fluorine.
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26 29	32. A ligand as claimed in claim 31 wherein the aromatic ring system
30	comprises a biphenyl, binaphthyl or bipyridine ring system or a derivative thereof.
31	delivative thereof.

1	33. A ligand as claimed in claim 32 wherein the aromatic ring system
2	comprises binaphthyl ring system or a derivative thereof.
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4	34. A ligand as claimed in any one of claims 28 to 33 comprising a
5	nucleophile X, wherein X has the meaning defined in claim 16.
6	
7	35. A ligand as claimed in any one of claims 28 to 33 comprising a
8	nucleophile wherein the nucleophile is hydroxy or $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy.
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10	36. A ligand as claimed in claim 33 wherein a nucleophile is selectively
11	substituted in the 7 and 7' positions.
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13	37. A ligand as claimed in claim 33 wherein a nucleophile is selectively
14	substituted in the 7, 7', 6 and 6' positions.
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16	38. A ligand as claimed in claim 37 wherein the nucleophile substituted
17	in the 7 and 7' positions is the same as the nucleophile substituted in
18	the 6 and 6' positions.
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20	39. A ligand as claimed in claim 37 wherein the nucleophile substituted
21	in the 7 and 7' positions is different from the nucleophile substituted
22	in the 6 and 6' positions.
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24	40. A ligand as claimed in claim 27 wherein the binaphthyl ring system is
25	a 2, 2' di-substituted binaphthyl ring system, and wherein the
26	substituents at the 2 and 2' positions are the same or different and are
27	each OR where R is as defined in claim 7.
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29	41. A ligand as claimed in claim 32 comprising a nucleophile X wherein X
30	is as defined in claim 16.
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1	42. A ligand as claimed in claim 40 comprising a nucleophile wherein the
2	nucleophile is hydroxy or $C_1$ - $C_6$ branched or straight chain alkoxy.
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4	43. A ligand as claimed in claim 40 wherein a nucleophile is selectively
5	substituted in the 7 and $7'$ positions on the binaphthyl ring system.
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7	44. A ligand as claimed in claim 40 wherein a nucleophile is selectively
8	substituted in the 6 and 6' positions on the binaphthyl ring system.
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10	45. A ligand as claimed in claim 44 wherein the same nucleophile is
11	selectively substituted in the $6$ , $6'$ , $7$ and $7'$ positions.
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13	46. A ligand as claimed in claim 44 wherein different nucleophiles are
14	selectively substituted in the 7 and 7 $^{\prime}$ positions and in the 6 and 6 $^{\prime}$
15	positions.
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• ~•	47. A method of generating a library of a predetermined number of
Ē	asymmetric ligands comprising:
19	a) Providing an aromatic ring system having at least one
2:	electronegative substituent;
21	b) Selective substituting at least one electronegative substituent with
22	a nucleophile; and
23	c) Repeating steps a) and b) a predetermined number of times to
24	obtain a predetermined number of ligands.
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26	48. The method as claimed in claim 47 wherein the same aromatic ring
27	system is provided in each step a) and a different nucleophile is
28	selectively substituted for at least one electronegative substituent in
29	each step b).

1	49. The method as claimed in claim 47 wherein the aromatic ring system
2	provided in step a) is selected from benzene, pyridine, naphthalene,
3	anthracene and their derivatives.
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5	50. The method as claimed in claim 48 wherein the aromatic ring system
6	is axially chiral.
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8	51. The method as claimed in claim 50 wherein the aromatic ring system
9	is selected from biphenyl, binaphthyl, bipyridine and derivatives
10	thereof.
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12	52. The method as claimed in claim 51 wherein the aromatic ring system
13	is a binaphthyl derivative.
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15	53. The method as claimed in 47 wherein the electronegative substituent
16	is selected from the group of electronegative substituent consisting of
17	fluorine, Cl, Br, I, CN and NO <sub>2</sub> .
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19	54. The method as claimed in claim 51 or 52 wherein the electronegative
20	substituent is fluorine.
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22	55. The method as claimed in any one of claims 47 to 54 wherein the
23	nucleophiles selectively substituted in steps b) are selected from the
24	group of nucleophiles X, wherein X is as defined in claim 16.
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26	56. The method as claimed in any one of claims 47 to 54 wherein the
27	nucleophiles selectively substituted in steps b) are selected from
28	hydroxy, and $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy.
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1	57. The method as claimed in claim 48 wherein in each step b) the
2	nucleophile is selectively substituted in the same position on the
3	aromatic ring system.
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5	58. The method as claimed in claim 48 wherein in each step b) the
6	nucleophile is optionally selectively substituted in different positions.

59. The use of a library of ligands made by a method as claimed in any one of claims 47 to 58 to screen the pharmacological activity of each ligand within the library.

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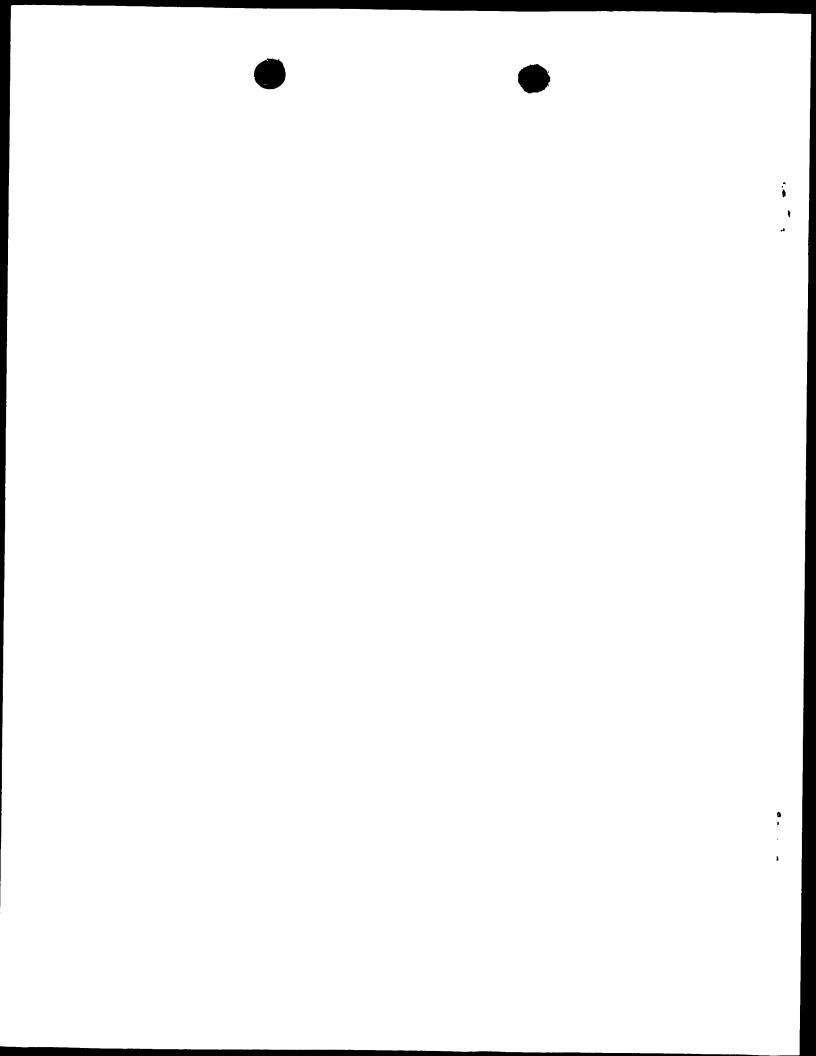
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(57) Abstract: Disclosed are electronically perturbed asymmetric aromatic ligands. In one aspect, the ligands are polyfluorinated. The ligands may be nucleophilically substituted. The ligands have many useful applications including catalytic applications. In a preferred aspect, the ligands are polyfluorinated binaphthyl ring derivatives, which are 2,2' dihydroxy or dialkoxy substituted.



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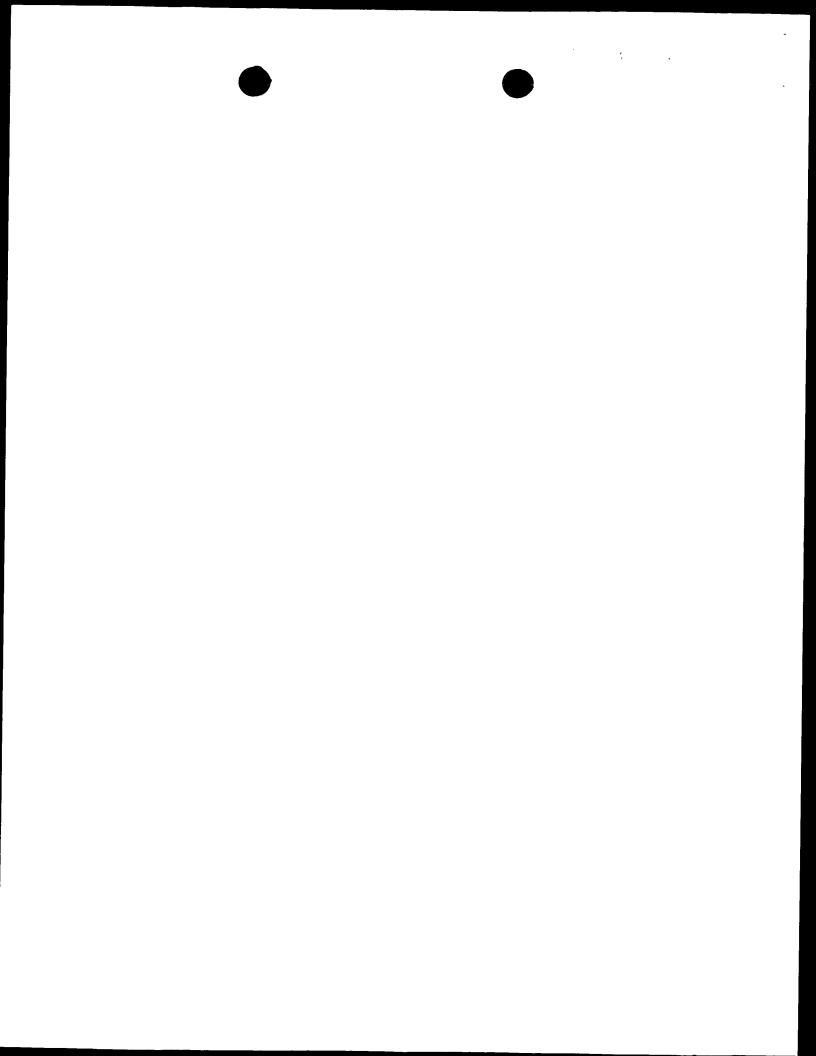
1	WHAT	IS CLAIMED IS:
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3	1.	An asymmetric ligand comprising an aromatic ring system that is
4		polyfluorinated.
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6	2.	The ligand as claimed in claim 1 wherein the aromatic ring system in the
7		form of a biphenyl, binaphthyl, bipyridal ring system, or a derivative
8		thereof.
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10	3.	The ligand as claimed in claim 2 wherein the ligand is axially chiral due to
11		steric hinderance.
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13	4.	The ligand as claimed in claim 2 wherein the aromatic ring system
14		comprises a binaphthyl derivative.
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16	5.	The ligand as claimed in claim 4 wherein the aromatic ring system
17		comprises a 2, 2' di substituted binaphthyl ring system.
18		the gromatic ring system is a 2.
19	6.	The ligand as claimed in claim 5 wherein the aromatic ring system is a 2,
20		2' di substituted binaphthyl ring system, and wherein the substitutents at
21		the 2 and 2' positions are the same or different, and are each OR where R
22		may be:
23		<ul> <li>a) Hydrogen; or</li> <li>b) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or</li> </ul>
24		b) C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>20</sub> aromatic, aliphatic, linear of branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with:
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26		my the name of different and are
27		ii) PR'R" where R' and R" are the same of different and are hydrogen, or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>20</sub> that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or
28		Hydrogen, or O1-O20 that may be diemi-to, the

substituted with N, O, S, or P;

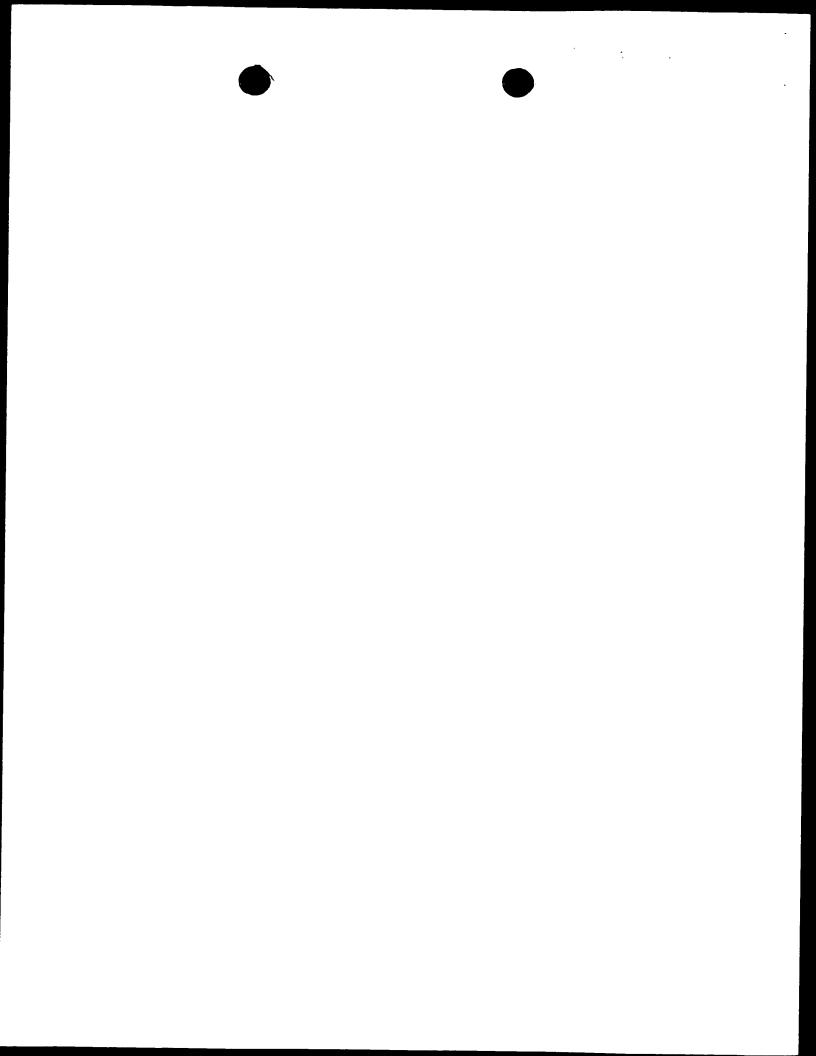
phosphine oxide;

branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or

iii)



1		iv) NR"R"" where R" and R" are the same of different and
2		are hydrogen, or $C_1$ - $C_{20}$ that may be aromatic, aliphatic,
3		linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted
4		or substituted with N, O, S, or P;
5		v) SR"""R""" where R""" and R""" are the same or different
6		and are hydrogen, or $C_1$ - $C_{20}$ that may be aromatic, aliphatic,
7		linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted
8		or substituted with N, O, S, or P.
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10	7.	The ligand as claimed in claim 6 wherein R is hydrogen, or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> alkyl
11		which is linear or branched.
12		and the state of t
13	8.	The ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 7 that is additionally
14		substituted with chlorine.
15		The ligand as claimed in claim 5 or 6 wherein the 5, 6, 7, and 8 positions
16	9.	of the binaphthyl ring system are fluorinated and the 5', 6', 7', and 8'
17		positions of the binaphthyl ring system are not substituted with an
18		electronegative radical.
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20 21	10.	The ligand as claimed in claim 5 or 6 wherein the 5, 6, 7, and 8 positions
22		of the binaphthyl ring system are not substituted with an electronegative
23		radical, and the 5', 6', 7', and 8' positions of the binaphthyl ring system are
24		fluorinated.
25		
26	11.	The ligand as claimed in claim 4, 5, 6, or 7 wherein the binaphthyl ring
27		system is fluorinated at the 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8 and 8' positions.
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29	12.	The ligand as claimed in claim 7 which is selected from the group of
30		ligands comprising 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, 8'-octafluoro-2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-
31		binaphthyl, 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, 8'-octafluoro-2,2'-dimethoxy-1,1'-



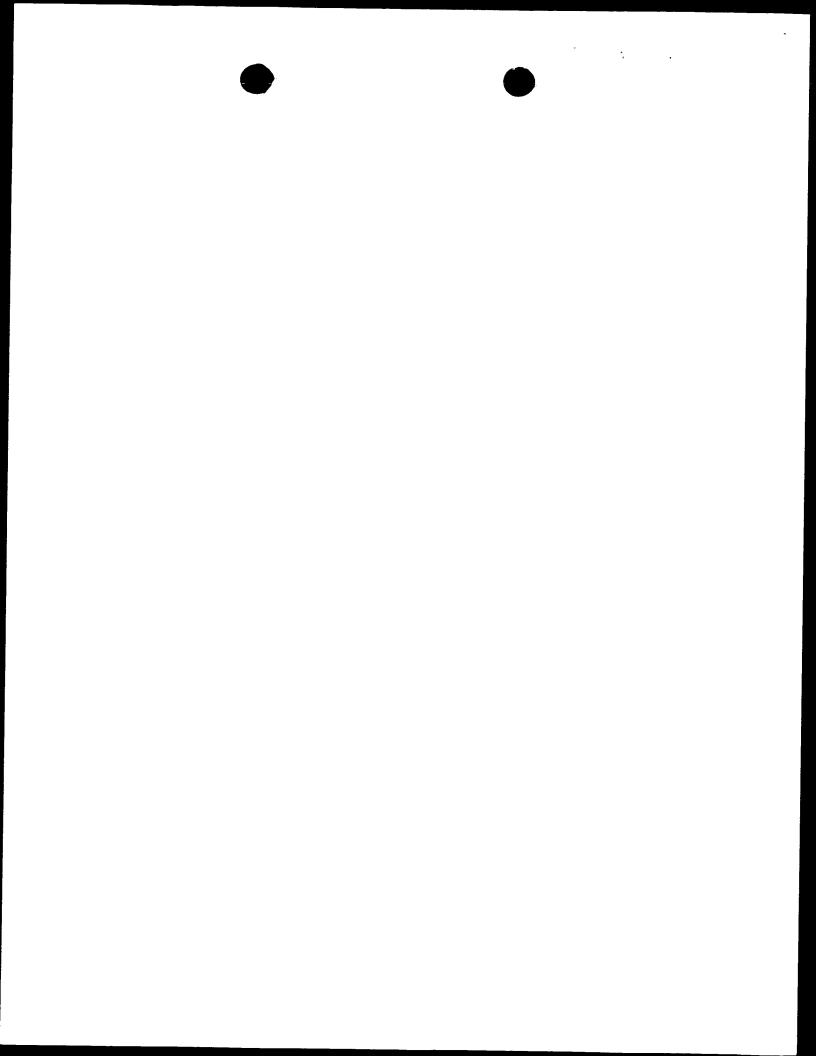


binaphthyl, 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, 8'-octafluoro-2,2'-di-n-propoxy-1,1'binaphthyl and 5, 5', 6, 6', 7, 7', 8, 8'-octafluoro-2,2'-di-i-propoxy-1,1'binaphthyl.

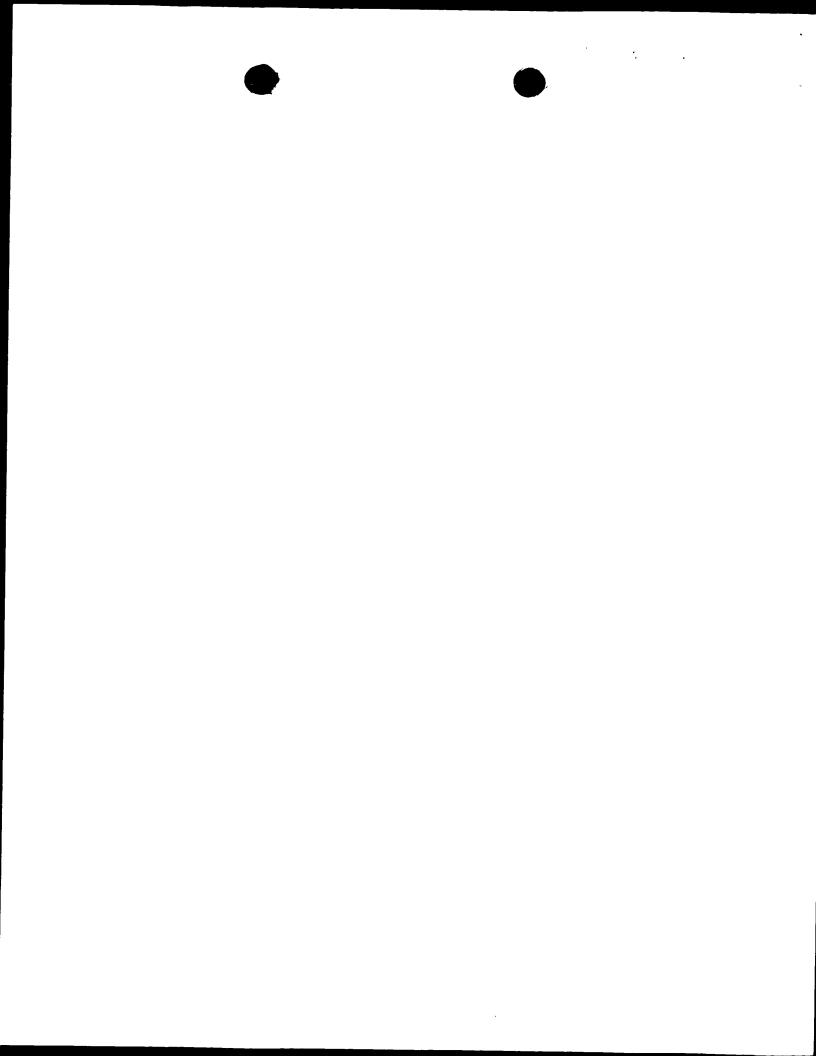
13. An asymmetric compound of the formula III:

wherein R2 and R2' are the same or different and are OR where R is:

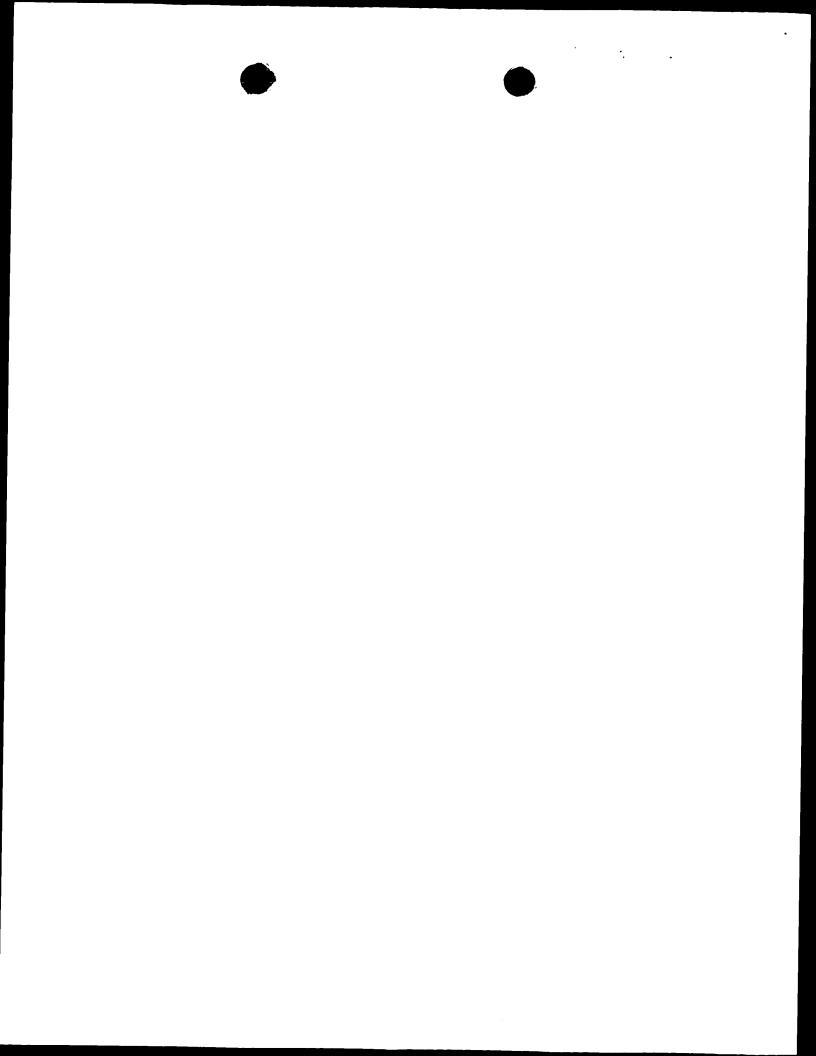
- 16 a) Hydrogen;
  - b) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> alkyl aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with:
    - i) N, O, S, or P;
    - ii) PR'R" where R' and R" are the same or different and are hydrogen, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P;
    - iii) phosphine oxide;
    - iv) NR"R"" where R" and R"" are the same or different and are hydrogen, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with N, O, S, or P;
    - v) SR"""R""" where R""" and R""" are the same or different and are hydrogen, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>20</sub> that may be aromatic, aliphatic,



			the standard or uncertainted unsubstituted
1			linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted
2			or substituted with N, O, S, or P;
3		vi)	and R5, R5', R6, R6', R7, R7', R8 and R8' are independently
4			hydrogen, fluorine, CN, or NO <sub>2</sub> , OR (where R is as defined
5			above), SO <sub>2</sub> Ar where Ar is any aromatic ring system, SOPh,
6			Cl, Br, I, N <sub>3</sub> , NR <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> where each R is the same or different and
7			may be as defined above, OAr where Ar is as defined above,
8			SR where R is as defined above, NH2,, a nucleophile X,
9			wherein X may be OR9, NR10R11, SR12, SiR13R14R15,
10			SeR16 and wherein each of R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14,
11			R15 and R16 is the same or different and may be hydrogen,
12			C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>20</sub> that may be aromatic, aliphatic, linear or branched,
13			saturated or unsaturated, unsubstituted or substituted with
14			N, O, S, or P;
15		vii)	with the proviso that more than two of R5, R5', R6, R6', R7,
16			R7', R8 and R8' is fluorine.
17			
18	14.		und as claimed in claim 13 wherein R5, R6, R7 and R8 are the
19		same and	are H or F, and R5', R6', R7' and R8' are the same and are
20		different tha	an R5, R6, R7 and R8.
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22	15.		ound as claimed in claim 13 wherein R2 and R2' are the same
23		or different	and are hydrogen or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> aliphatic, linear or branched, and
24		R5, R5', R6	S, R6', R7, R7', R8 and R8' are each fluorine.
25			
26	16.		ound as claimed in claim 13 wherein R2 and R2' are the same
27			t and are hydrogen or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> aliphatic, linear or branched, and
28			6, R6', R8 and R8' are each fluorine, and R7 and R7' are the
29		same or di	fferent and are a nucleophile X as claimed in claim 13.
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1	17.	The compound as claimed in claim 13 wherein R2 and R2' are the same
2		or different and are hydrogen or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> aliphatic, linear or branched, and
3		R5, R5', R8 and R8' are each fluorine, and R6, R6', R7, R7' are the same
4		or different and are a nucleophile X as claimed in claim 13.
5		to the Vie
6	18.	The compound as claimed in claim 16 or 17 wherein the nucleophile X is
7		hydroxy or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> alkoxy.
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9	19.	A modified asymmetric polyfluorinated binaphthyl based ligand wherein
0		the fluorine atom in at least one of positions 5 and 5', 6 and 6', 7 and 7',
11		and 8 and 8' is selectively displaced with a nucleophile.
12		and the state of t
13	20.	The modified polyfluorinated binaphthyl based ligand as claimed in claim
14		19 wherein the fluorine atoms at positions 7 and 7' are selectively
15		displaced with a nucleophile.
16		a control based ligand as claimed in claim
17	21.	The modified polyfluorinated binaphthyl based ligand as claimed in claim 20 wherein the fluorine atoms at positions 6, 6', 7 and 7' are selectively
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19		displaced with a nucleophile.
20		A ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 21 wherein the ligand is
21	22.	
22		linked to a solid support.
23	00	A ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 21 wherein the ligand is
24	23.	linked to an electrode surface.
25		miked to all oldest the same
26 27	24.	The use a ligand as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 23 for an application
28	۲.	selected from the group consisting of asymmetric catalysis with mair
29		group elements, transition metal and lanthanide metals, asymmetric
30		reagent with main group elements, transition metal and lanthanide metals
31		polymer supported catalysis, nucleophilic displacement of fluorine atom
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to modify characteristics of molecule, incorporation of molecule into crown ethers for development of phase transfer catalysts, use of compound as a monomer for polymerization, asymmetric polymer supported electrochemical oxidation catalysis, as a chiral auxiliary in an asymmetric reaction, as a resolving agent for chiral compounds, including but not limited to amines, asymmetric catalysis (reagent) in fluorous phase reactions, as a chiral stationary phase for HPLC and other chromatographic techniques, and phase transfer catalyst between organic, fluorous phase and alkali solutions.

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11 25. An asymmetric ligand comprising an aromatic ring system that is 12 polyfluorinated, that is modified by selectively nucleophilically substituting 13 at least one fluorine atom with a nucleophile.

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15 26. A ligand as claimed in claim 25 wherein the aromatic ring system comprises a biphenyl, binaphthyl, bipyridine ring system or a derivative thereof.

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19 27. A ligand as claimed in claim 25 wherein the aromatic ring system is axially20 chiral.

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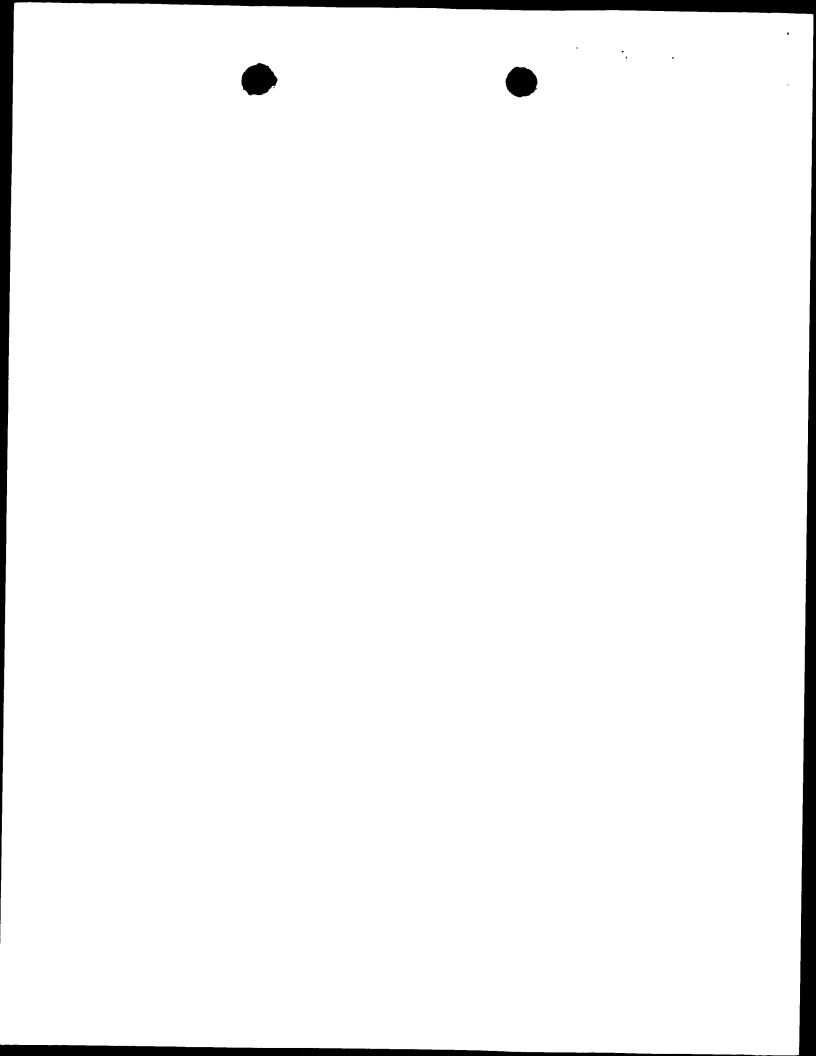
22 28. A ligand as claimed in claim 27 wherein the aromatic ring system 23 comprises binaphthyl ring system or a derivative thereof.

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25 29. A ligand as claimed in any one of claims 25 to 28 comprising a nucleophile
 X, wherein X has the meaning defined in claim 13.

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28 30. A ligand as claimed in any one of claims 25 to 28 comprising a nucleophile wherein the nucleophile is hydroxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkoxy.

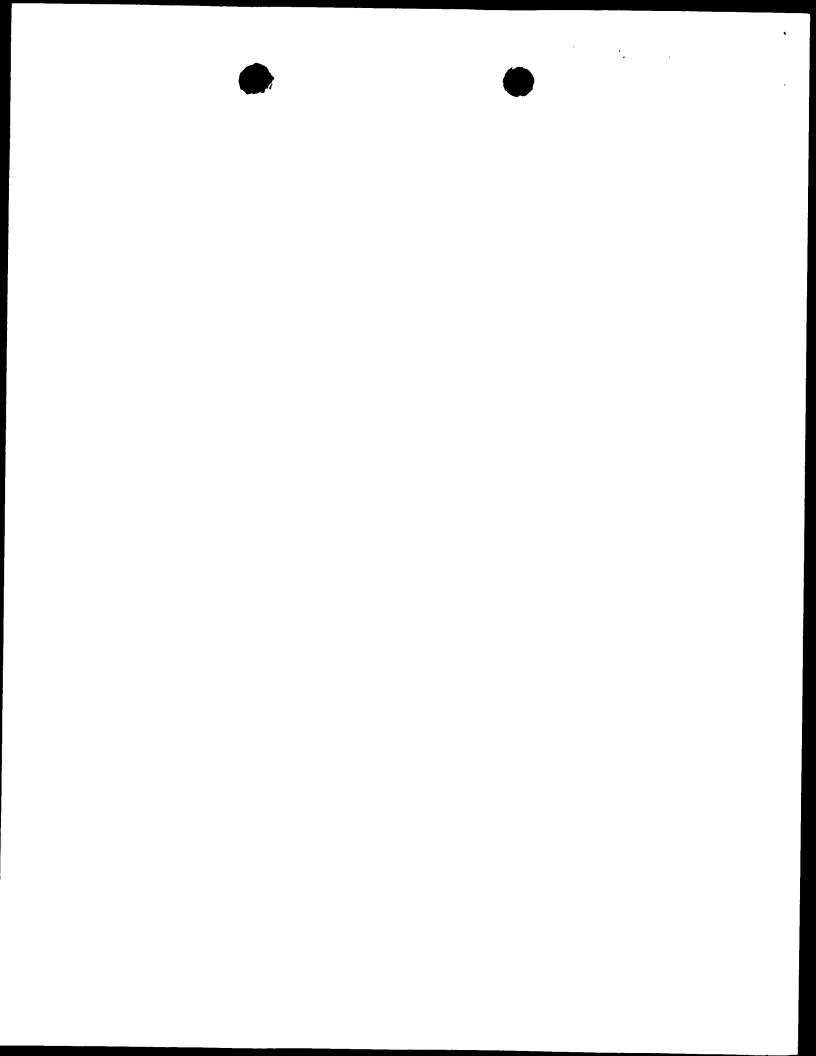


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1	31.	A ligand as claimed in claim 28 wherein a nucleophile is selectively
2		substituted in the 7 and 7' positions.
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4	32.	A ligand as claimed in claim 28 wherein a nucleophile is selectively
5		substituted in the 7, 7', 6 and 6' positions.
6		the prolonnile substituted in the
7	33.	A ligand as claimed in claim 32 wherein the nucleophile substituted in the
8		7 and 7' positions is the same as the nucleophile substituted in the 6 and
9		6' positions.
10 11	34.	A ligand as claimed in claim 32 wherein the nucleophile substituted in the
11 12	J-T.	7 and 7' positions is different from the nucleophile substituted in the 6 and
13		6' positions.
14		·
15	35.	A ligand as claimed in claim 32 wherein the binaphthyl ring system is a 2,
16		2' di-substituted binaphthyl ring system, and wherein the substituents at
17		the 2 and 2' positions are the same or different and are each OR where R
18		is as defined in claim 6.
19		A ligand as claimed in claim 35 comprising a nucleophile wherein the
20	36.	nucleophile is hydroxy or C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> branched or straight chain alkoxy.
21		nucleophilie is riyuroxy or of our artifaction of the artifaction of t
22 23	37.	A ligand as claimed in claim 35 wherein a nucleophile is selectively
24	0,.	substituted in the 7 and 7' positions on the binaphthyl ring system.
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26	38.	A ligand as claimed in claim 35 wherein a nucleophile is selectively
27		substituted in the 6 and 6' positions on the binaphthyl ring system.
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29	<b>39</b> .	A ligand as claimed in claim 38 wherein the same nucleophile is

selectively substituted in the 6, 6', 7 and 7' positions.

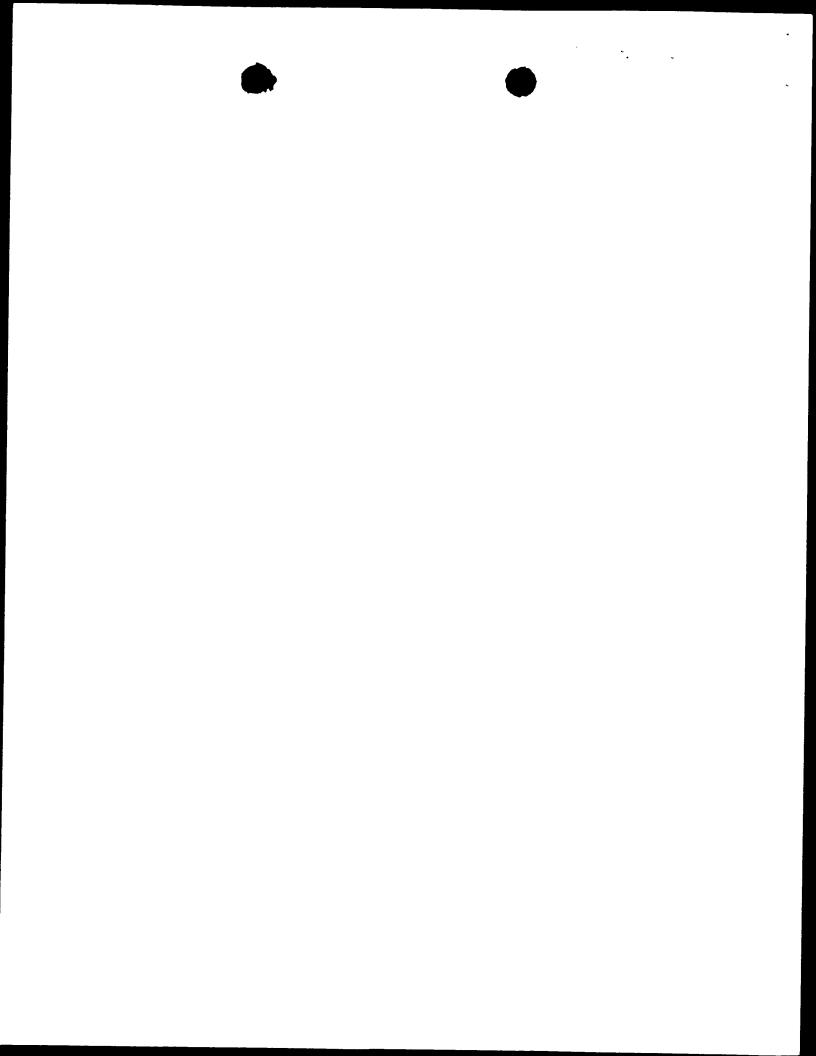


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1	40.	A ligand as claimed in claim 38 wherein different nucleophiles are
2		selectively substituted in the 7 and 7' positions and in the 6 and 6'
3		positions.
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5	41.	A method of generating a library of a predetermined number of
6		asymmetric ligands comprising:
7		a) Providing an asymmetric polyfluorinated aromatic ring system;
8		b) Selective substituting at least one fluorine atom with a nucleophile;
9		and
10		c) Repeating steps a) and b) a predetermined number of times to
11		obtain a predetermined number of ligands.
12		is a large 44 who sain the gramatic ring system is
13	42.	The method as claimed in claim 41 wherein the aromatic ring system is
14		axially chiral.
15		The method as claimed in claim 42 wherein the aromatic ring system is
16	43.	selected from biphenyl, binaphthyl, bipyridine and derivatives thereof.
17		selected from Dipheryr, Dinapharyr, D.Pyramo
18	44.	The method as claimed in claim 43 wherein the same aromatic ring
19	44.	system is provided in each step a) and a different nucleophile is
20 21		selectively substituted for at least one fluorine atome in each step b).
22		
23	45.	The method as claimed in claim 43 wherein the aromatic ring system is a
24		binaphthyl derivative.
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26	46.	The method as claimed in any one of claims 41 to 45 wherein the
27		nucleophiles selectively substituted in steps b) are selected from the group

of nucleophiles X, wherein X is as defined in claim 13.



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1	The method as claimed in any one of claims 41 to 45 where		
2	nucleophiles selectively substituted in steps b) are selected from h	ydro	ху
3	and C <sub>1</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> alkoxy.		

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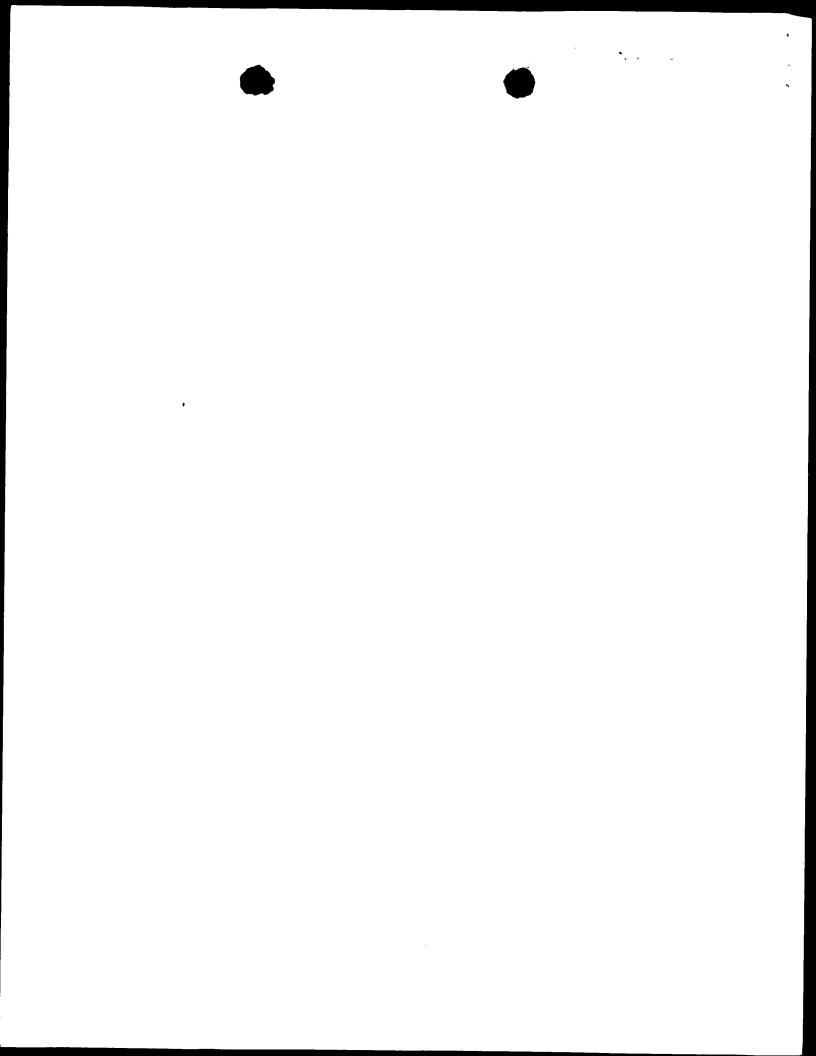
The method as claimed in claim 44 wherein in each step b) the 5 48. nucleophile is selectively substituted in the same position on the aromatic 6 ring system. 7

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The method as claimed in claim 44 wherein in each step b) the 49. 9 nucleophile is optionally selectively substituted in different positions. 10

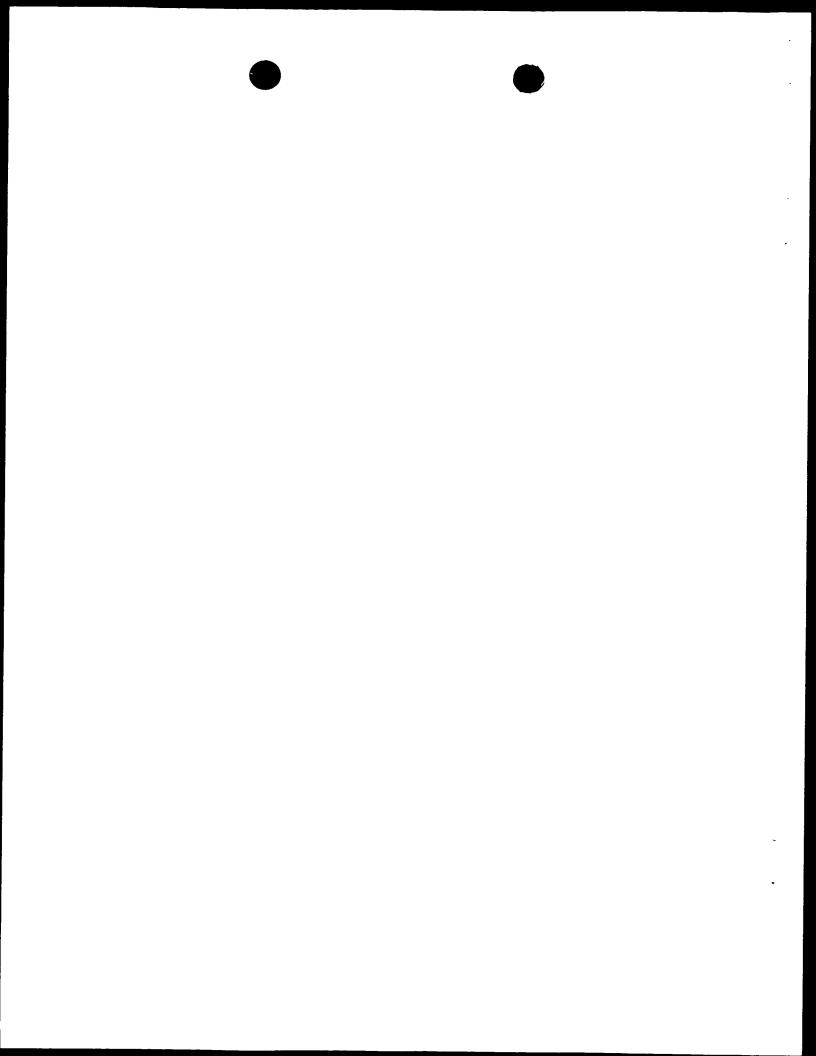
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The use of a library of ligands made by a method as claimed in any one of 50. 12 claims 41 to 49 to screen the pharmacological activity of each ligand 13 within the library. 14



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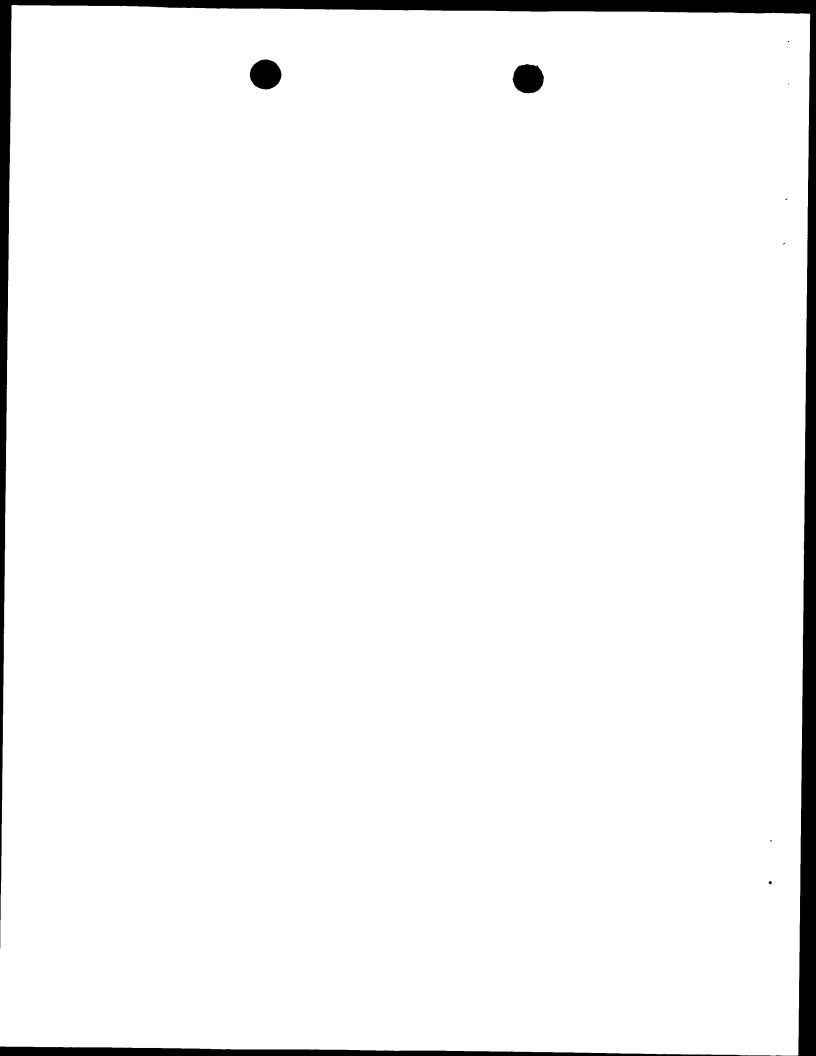
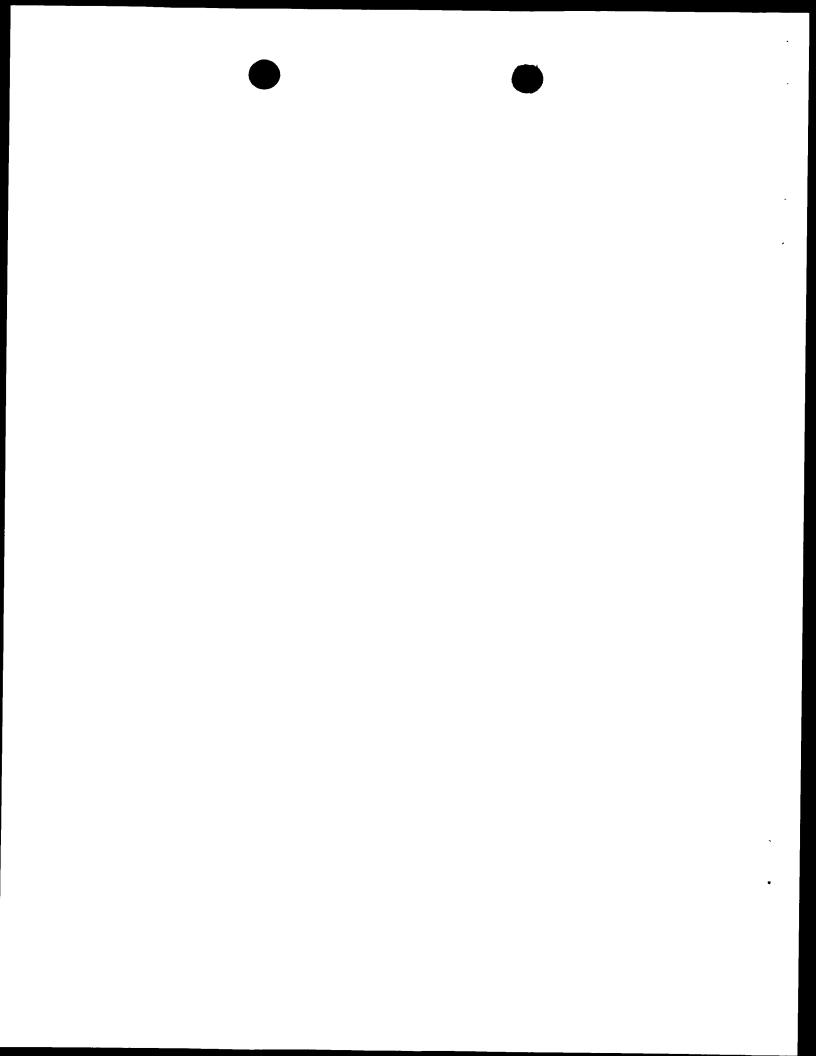
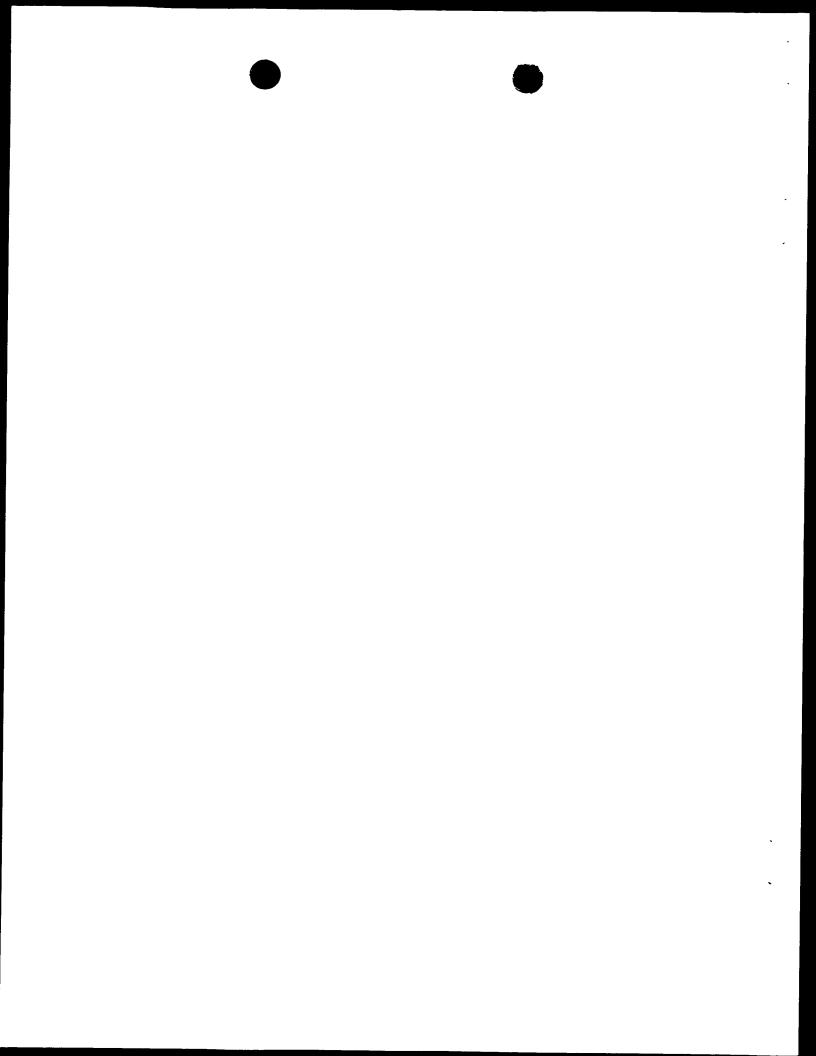
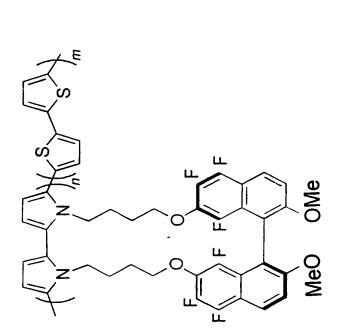


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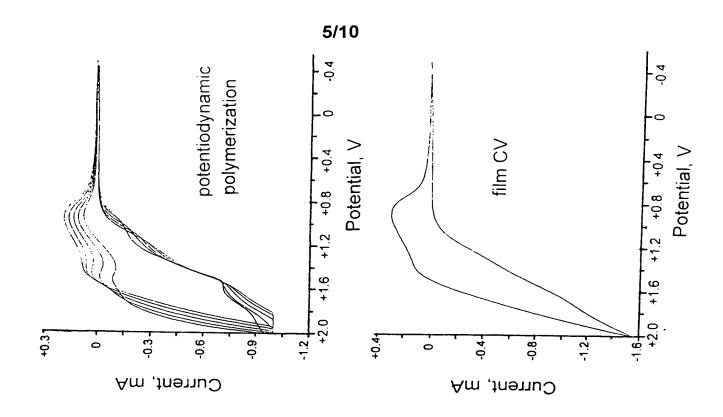


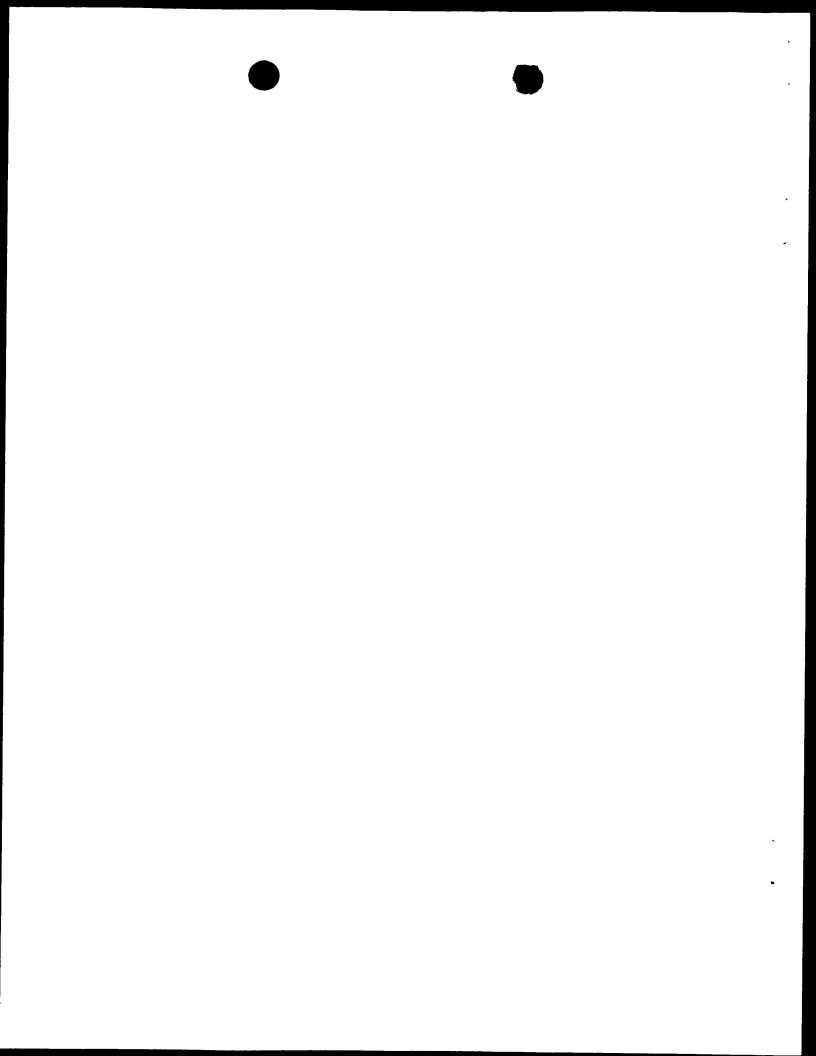
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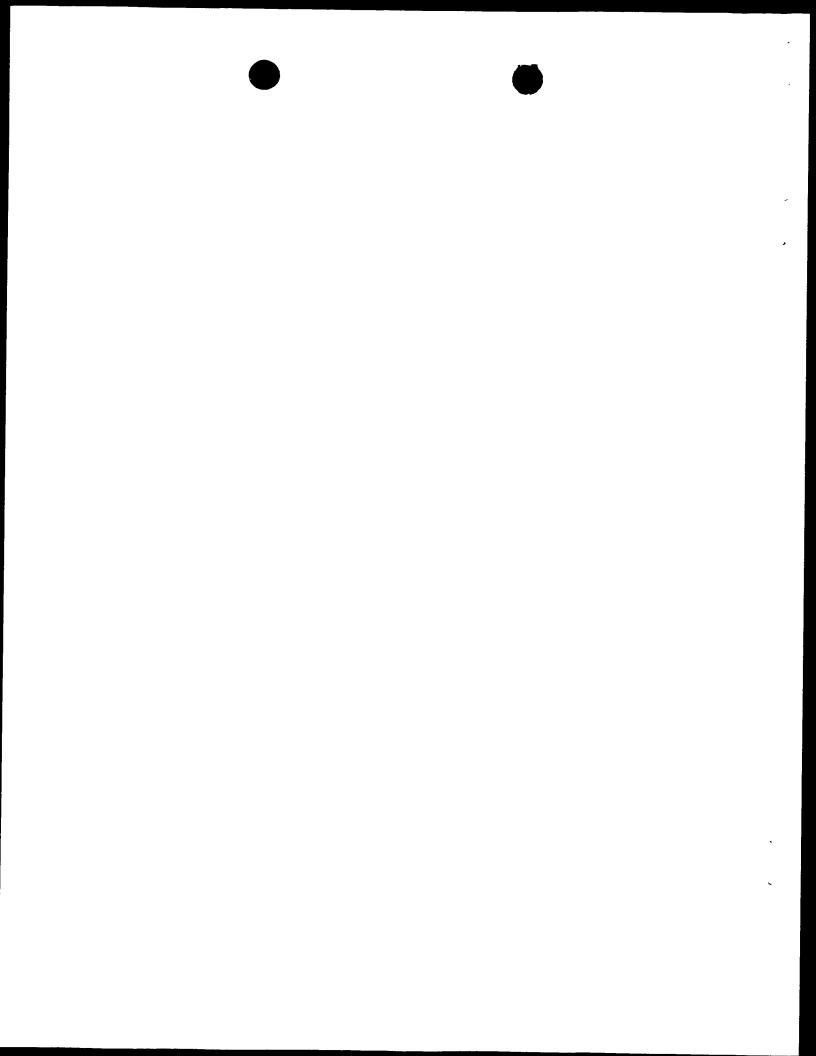
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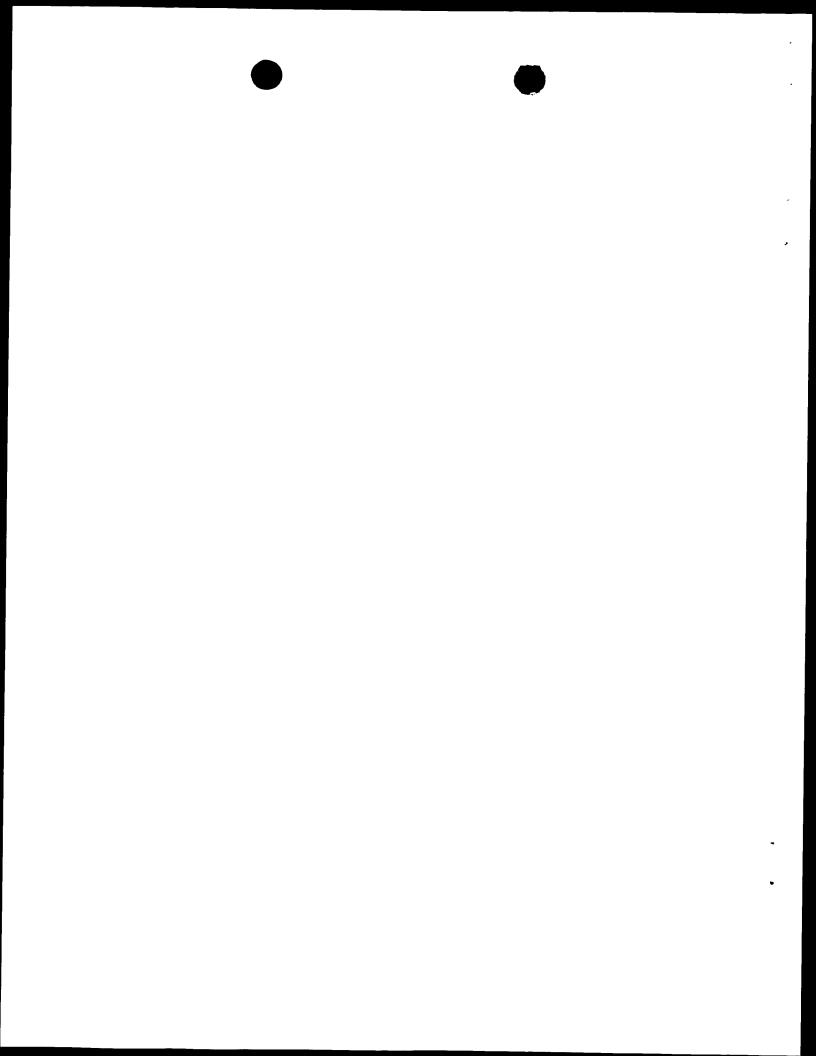
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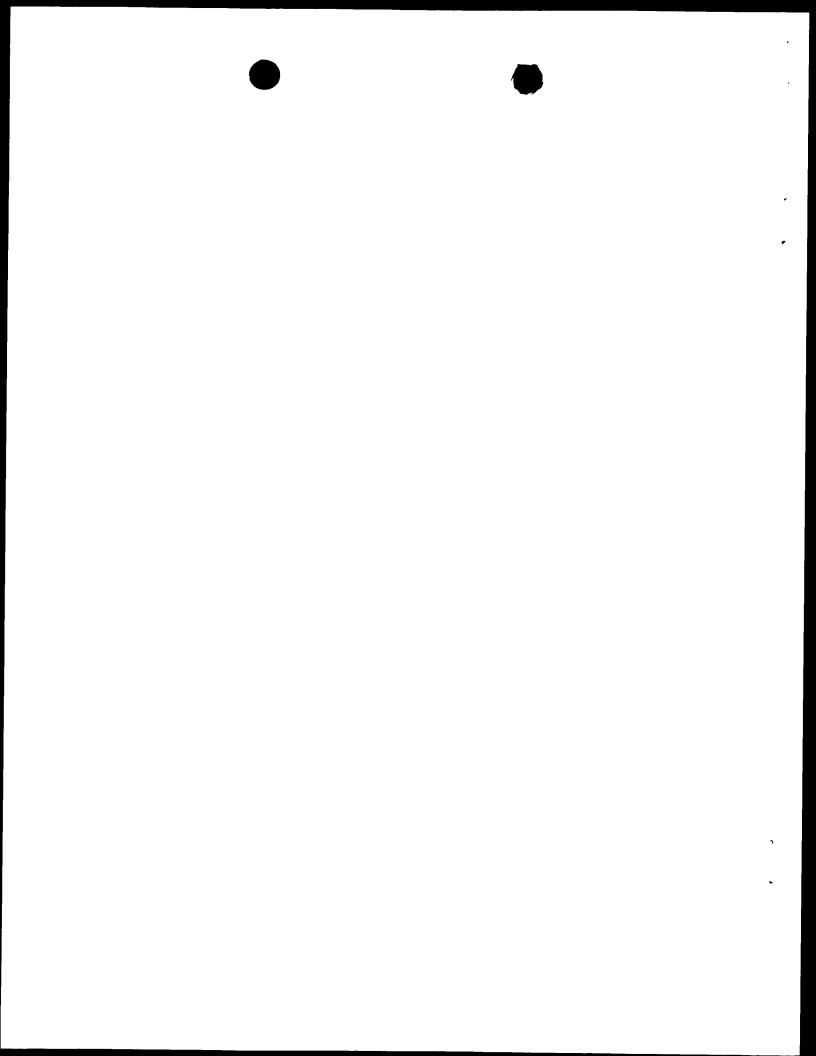
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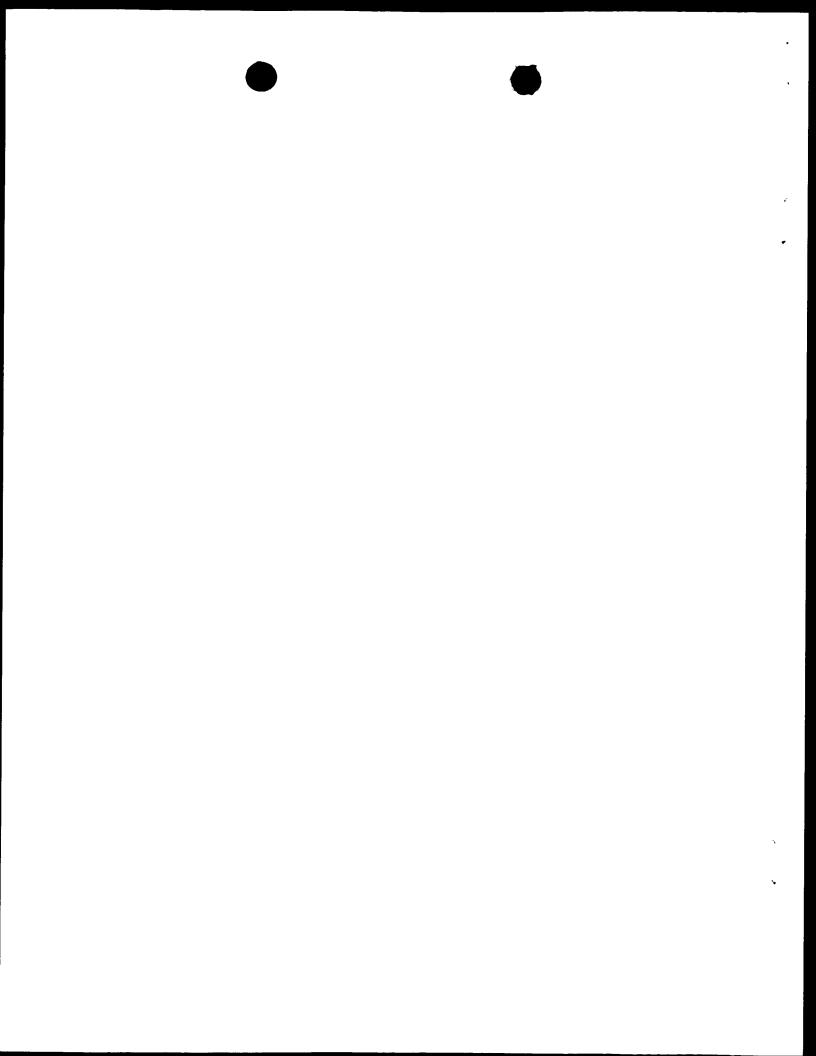
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